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HIBBARD OUSTS SKINNER; CARRUTH ALSO LOSES JOB

Vernon V. Skinner, Commissioner of Penal Institutions, and Herbert S. Carruth, deputy commissioner, were to-day discharged from their places by Mayor Hibbard.

Guy C. Emerson, superintendent of streets, was then appointed acting commissioner of Penal Institutions. Emerson discharged Carruth as the Mayor's ouster applied only to Skinner, with the understanding that the deputy must go.

Mayor Hibbard had appointed Alpheus Sanford for the place. Then it was learned that he could not serve as he is an Election Commissioner.

The Mayor had announced Sanford's appointment, and that gentleman was even preparing to take charge of the office when the complication was discovered and Mayor Hibbard formally withdrew Sanford's name.

Mayor Hibbard had determined on this wholesale cleaning out of the Penal Institutions office as a result of the disclosures which were made.

Lies About Deer Island.

Friends of Mayor Hibbard at City Hall to-day declared that he discharged the two men because they had lied to him about conditions on Deer Island and not primarily because of their disclosures to the Finance Commission.

"My dismissal is the price of telling the truth," said Deputy Penal Institutions Commissioner Carruth to the clerks in his office after he received from the hands of Superintendent of Streets Guy C. Emerson a typewritten letter informing him that his services were no longer required today. Emerson was appointed Acting Penal Institutions Commissioner by Mayor Hibbard to fill the vacancy caused by the dismissal of Vernon V. Skinner earlier in the day.

After receiving his new appointment Emerson went to the office of the Penal Institution Commissioner and found Skinner cleaning out his desk. He was greeted by Skinner and then formally took charge of the place. Skinner extended him a welcome and wished him joy in his work, saying that he hoped he would have better luck in conducting the office than he had. Skinner then left the office.

Farewell to Clerks.

Emerson then walked into the inner office of Deputy Commissioner Carruth and handed him his discharge papers. The latter asked permission to allow his personal papers to remain in his desk until Monday when he promised to come and clean them out. Carruth then went to the outer office and addressed the clerks as follows:

"Had I gone before the Finance Commission and perjured myself the result might be different, but I would not do that. My dismissal is the price of telling the truth. This is what I get for all I have done for Mayor Hibbard." He then left the office.

Emerson said he would take a trip to Deer Island Monday, look around and confer with the officers. For the present, he said, he would not say whether or not he would introduce any reforms. He preferred to wait and find out how long Mayor Hibbard wanted him to act in his new office. "You know," he said, "it would be useless for me to start reforms and then have somebody else come in and change them all around."

A Political Frame-Up.

Skinner before leaving his office said he would issue a detailed statement later in the day. "There is no doubt in my mind," said Skinner, "that the Finance Commission is just now an adjunct to the Storrow campaign. Their cold-blooded political frame-up can easily be detected from the fact that over a year a go the old Finance Commission thoroughly investigated the happenings on the steamboat Monitor and that the purposes of their action in reinvestigating at this time must be apparent to all.

"I'm satisfied that the general public likes to see everybody accorded fair treatment and I am preparing a statement in which I will show that everything derogatory to the institution's affairs was deliberately brought out and magnified and little things which would put an entirely different aspect on matters were deliberately overlooked."

Carruth Cleans Out Office.

Deputy Commissioner Carruth, who has always gone to the island on Fridays, didn't go to-day. On the contrary he went to his office to-day and spent the morning cleaning out his desk and preparing his neck for the axe which he knew was about to fall.

Vernon V. Skinner, the deposed commissioner, didn't seem to be breaking his heart. He said when asked what he had to say in view of his being fired by Mayor Hibbard:

"No, I have nothing to say just now. It's hardly an acceptable Christmas gift. A little later and I'll have much to say."

"What reason did the Mayor give you for your abrupt dismissal?" he was asked.

"He simply notified me that I was dismissed for the good of the service and that I must be out at noon, so at 12 o'clock I go."

"And what then, Mr. Skinner?"

"Well, the man comes then, and I go out Christmas shopping. But I'll have quite a little to say soon."

EARTHQUAKE AGAIN SHAKES UP MESSINA

MESSINA, Dec. 24.—A violent earthquake to-day threw the population into panic. Every house in the city was deserted and thousands of the inhabitants refused to return, camping in the streets and squares and fleeing to the country.

Many walls were hurled down by the shocks. The first trembler lasted five seconds and was followed by lesser shocks. The quake which destroyed the city occurred almost a year ago, on December 28, 1908.

FIRE PANIC IN STORE; REPORT MANY INJURED

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24.—Several persons are reported to have been injured or overcome by smoke in a fire which practically destroyed the Fair, a four-story department store, at the corner of Broadway and Hamm street to-day. It was crowded with shoppers and a panic followed the discovery of the fire.

LAMP BLOWS UP; EIGHT PERISH AS HOME IS BURNED

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Dec. 24.—As the result of an oil lamp exploding early to-day in the home of Santano Clerba at Hillsville, a quarry town nine miles from this city, eight persons were burned to death and two were seriously injured. Clerba's whole family and three boarders perished.

The dwelling was destroyed. The bodies have not yet been recovered from the ruins.

Notice

To-morrow being a holiday, no editions of the AMERICAN will be published. The SUNDAY AMERICAN will contain complete reports of all the Christmas Day festivities, as well as the other news of the world.

SONS OF ERIN—All the pertinent news of Boston and vicinity will be found in the Sunday American.

FAST TURBINE STEAMERS MAY QUIT BOSTON

Boston may lose her big twin turbines, the elegant steamers Yale and Harvard, which will, if plans now well matured are carried out, be sent to the Pacific coast.

In a proposed windup of the affairs of the Metropolitan Steamship Company, organized by Charles W. Morse, it is planned to sell the big turbiners and the company's four freight boats for enough to retire $1,000,000 of the $2,500,000 first mortgage bonds.

The Assets Realization Company and John W. McKinnon, the legal purchaser, are back of the scheme. The line on the Pacific coast has yet to be organized. The formal consent of the present stockholders is practically given to the transfer. The money left to the Metropolitan after it pays its debts will be invested in the new Pacific coast line, which will be able to operate the boats twelve months in the year instead of seven or eight, the limit in this latitude on the Atlantic coast.

ALFONSO MUST SOON GO UNDER KNIFE

MADRID, Dec. 24.—A private communication from Madrid sent to Paris and printed in the Gil Blas, states that the condition of King Alfonso has created the gravest anxiety in court circles. Another operation is imperative. Under the guise of departure on a hunting trip to Andalusia, the King will go to the palace of the Countess of Paris at San Lucar, where the operation will be performed.

BOOTH'S LEADING WOMAN IS DEAD

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Harry Duffield, known on the stage for many years as Phosa McAllister, is dead at her home in Glendale. For several seasons she was Edwin Booth's leading woman and played with him in New York and on the road. Mrs. Duffield was born 58 years ago, at Stoneham, Mass.

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PENAL OFFICIAL DISMISSED TO-DAY BY MAYOR HIBBARD

VERNON V. SKINNER

FAKE NO. 2 IS FASTENED TO DR. COOK

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The committee of the Explorers' Club which has been investigating the claim of Dr. Frederick A. Cook to the ascent of Mt. McKinley this afternoon handed in its report. It was said beforehand that the report was adverse to the discredited Arctic explorer.

According to one of the committee a close investigation showed that the claim to having reached the top of America's highest mountain was just such a mass of deceit as that which surrounded the polar claim. "A plain hoax" is the way the claim is regarded.

The latest blow to the man who is still in hiding while his name is assailed by the world is by no means unexpected. Early in the days of doubt after his return from the far North, Cook's opponents accused him of faking the Mount McKinley climb and produced the affidavits of members of the Mount McKinley party, which declared that the photos alleged to have been taken from the summit were really taken at much lower levels and that all the other data were false.

"NO SOUTH POLE TRIP FOR MINE," DECLARES PEARY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Never again will he head another expedition, either to the South Pole or to the North Pole. This announcement was made last night by Commander Peary. He stands ready, however, to assist any expedition which contemplates setting out for either extremity of the earth.

"My work has been accomplished," said Commander Peary. "I made it known some time ago in Brussels that I would assist any expedition that would set out for the South Pole, and at the same time also said that I would not personally conduct such an expedition. I still hold to this and I have no intention of changing my mind."

COOK'S POLE STORY WORK OF A CLEVER PUBLICITY AGENT?

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The latest charge against Dr. Frederick A. Cook was furnished to-day by a young Dane, who said a fellow-countryman of his wrote practically the whole of Dr. Cook's published narrative of his supposed journey to the "boreal centre."

The young man who made the charge came to this country soon after Dr. Cook took his departure from Copenhagen, and expects to return within a few weeks.

"I must ask that the man's name be not made public," he said. "He is an accomplished journalist, a Dane by birth, who has lived in England, and has a full command of the English language. I know that he wrote large portions of Dr. Cook's story as it was afterward published in this country, and I know, too, that he received a considerable sum of money in payment."

Henri Arctowski, the Belgian meteorologist, says:

"It is evident to a careful observer that all the enthusiastic Cook propaganda at Copenhagen was engineered by a clever publicity agent."

ATTACKED IN BED; KILLS ASSAILANT

CARDELE, Ga., Dec. 24.—W. H. Tripp, a stock dealer of this city, was shot and killed by Policeman W. P. Kendall in the latter's home. Tripp had been arrested by the officer on a charge of drunkenness. Smarting under his incarceration for several hours, Tripp went to Kendall's home, walked into the officer's bedroom, exhibiting a pistol. Instantly Kendall, who was lying in bed, dashed two revolvers and fired nine shots in quick succession, killing Tripp instantly.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

MARK TWAIN'S DAUGHTER DEAD IN BATH TUB

Miss Jean Clemens Believed to Have Been Accidentally Drowned—Aged Author Brave Under Affliction.

REDDING, Ct., Dec. 24.—Miss Jean Clemens, the elder of Mark Twain's two daughters, was drowned in a bath tub in her father's home this morning. The body was found at 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Clemens had been subject to epilepsy. The general belief is that the death was accidental. No motive for its being otherwise is known. Miss Clemens, when last seen alive, was cheerful, it is said, and there was no suggestion in her manner or speech of an impending tragedy.

The tragic death was discovered by one of the servants who missed Miss Clemens and went in search of her. Tapping at the bathroom door brought no response, and the servant entered, finding the body in the tub, which was filled with water.

At first it was feared that the news of this tragedy in his household would prove too great a shock to the author, who is seventy-four years old, and not in good health. When he was told of his child's death, he stood up under the blow, and took it with the courage that he has shown all through life.

Welcomed Father Home.

Miss Jean was abroad in Germany until last June, when she returned home. Until last week her father was in the West Indies seeking to restore his health. On landing in New York he hastened home and was welcomed by his daughter, the only other member of his family, for his second daughter, Mrs. O. Grabrielowitsch, wife of the famous Russian pianist, is abroad on her honeymoon. Miss Jean was twenty-nine years old and was vivacious and charming.

Her death is the last of a series of calamitous affairs in the life of the man who has made the whole world laugh with his humor and who has been honored the world over and is still revered by thousands wherever the English language is read.

When he came to the height of his fame he went into the publishing business, only to fail and lose every cent of the fortune he had earned. He also lost a fortune for his friends and backers.

Mourned for Rogers.

Mark Twain declared that he would pay every dollar, and he started all over again, stinting himself and working like a Trojan, turning out volumes that charmed and delighted hundreds of thousands. He paid every cent of his indebtedness and came into the gray years honored for his great gifts and for his fortitude and honesty.

Then, when the world seemed smiling on his career again, his wife died. This was a terrible blow to the writer, who was then living in Italy. He left that country and established his villa in Redding.

Still another stroke of misfortune came to him when his bosom friend and intimate, H. H. Rogers, the Standard Oil magnate, died suddenly. He grieved greatly over the loss of his friend.

In 1904 he nearly lost the daughter who was drowned this morning in an accident at Pittsfield. She was driving with Rodman Gilder, son of the late Richard Watson Gilder, when the horse bolted and dashed in front of a speeding trolley car. The horse was killed and the writer's daughter was thrown to the ground, having a close call from death.

The body of Miss Clemens will be taken to Elmira on Monday, where it will be buried in the family plot.

Author Tells of Tragedy.

"My daughter, Jean Clemens, passed from this life suddenly this morning at half past seven o'clock," Mr. Clemens told those who made inquiries at the home. "All the last half of her life she was an epileptic, but she grew better latterly. For the past two years we considered her practically well, but she was not allowed to be entirely free.

"Her maid, who has served us for twenty-eight years, was always with her when she went to New York on shopping excursions and such things. She had very few convulsions in the past years and those that she had were inviolent. At 7:30 this morning her maid went to her room to see why she did not come down to breakfast, and found her in the bath tub drowned. It means that she had a convulsion and could not get out.

"She had been leading a very active life. She spent the greater part of her time looking after a farm which I bought for her and she did much of my secretary work besides. Last night she and I chatted later than usual in the library and she told me all her plans about the housekeeping, for she was also my housekeeper."

FERRYBOAT NEAR A CRASH

Great excitement was caused on the East Boston ferryboat Dartmouth at 8:30 a. m., when she had a narrow escape from a collision between her and the Massachusetts of the Merchants line. Both steamers were in mid-harbor. The Dartmouth was crowded with business people and Christmas shoppers. The Massachusetts was bound in from New York.

Those on the ferryboat declare that the Massachusetts and the ferryboat exchanged the customary salute, and that the ferryboat had the right of way. The steamer, however, never slackened her speed, and it looked as though a collision between the two was inevitable.

Captain Nelson grasped the whistle cord and blew the alarm signal, at the same time signaling the engine room for full speed astern. It was this prompt action on the part of the captain of the ferryboat that prevented a disaster.

The Dartmouth's headway was stopped and she began to move astern just as the Massachusetts swept past.

Several of the passengers on the Dartmouth intend to lodge complaint with the Federal authorities against the captain of the liner.

BRYAN LIKELY TO ESCAPE PNEUMONIA

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—The condition of William Jennings Bryan was to-day reported better, and it was stated that there was no great danger. Mr. Bryan to-day was under the care of specialists, but it is believed the threatened attack of pneumonia which caused the cancellation of his lecture engagements can be averted.

YEGGMEN GET $1,500.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—Yeggmen blew the safe of the S. S. Kresge & Company store in the heart of the business district during the night and escaped with $1,500, the day's receipts.

Chew Piper Heidsieck tobacco for a week and it will be your choice for a lifetime. Champagne flavor.

SATOLLI HAS A RELAPSE

ROME, Dec. 24.—Cardinal Satolli, formerly papal delegate to the United States, has suffered a turn for the worse. It is learned that blood poisoning has developed, adding greatly to the danger.

"My American friends give me my last consolation," he said on receiving messages from Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Farley.

WORK FOR 400 IN NEW SHOE FACTORY

HALLOWELL, Me., Dec. 24.—The old cotton mill at Hallowell, long idle, has been purchased by Robert P. Hazzard, until recently the president and manager of the Snow-Hazzard Shoe company of Gardiner. Mr. Hazzard has formed a stock corporation, himself being the controlling factor in the enterprise, and hopes to have the shop in operation for the "spring run" of shoes. Over 400 persons will be employed.

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WAIT ALL NIGHT FOR LATE TRAIN

Several thousand people waited at the South Station all last night to greet friends expected on the through Lake Shore train due from Chicago at 12:15. The third section of the train finally pulled in at 4:30 this morning. The second section was an hour and fifteen minutes late.

No explanation was given as to the cause of the delay and there was much anxiety among those waiting outside the gates.

WORLD'S RICHEST HOODOO—The wonderful story of the great Hope Diamond. Absorbing psychological study in the Sunday American.

Rev. Dr. Myers Sends Christmas Greeting to American Readers

Rev. Cortland Myers, D. D., pastor of Tremont Temple, sends this Christmas greeting through the AMERICAN to all its readers:

I WISH you a very Merry Christmas—May your feet walk the pathway of peace; may your hands hold the cup of joy; may your eyes see the Star of Hope; may your ears hear the music of the Angels; may your lips repeat "Glory to God in the Highest." may your knees bend in holiest worship at the Manger; may your hearts make room for the Christ of Bethlehem.

CORTLAND MYERS.

ZELAYA'S CAPTURE ORDERED?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Rear Admiral Kimball, in command of the United States naval force in Nicaraguan waters, has been ordered to prevent the escape of ex-President Zelaya from Corinto, according to a semi-official report here to-day. The commanders of the American war vessels in the south have been commanded, this report says, to demand the surrender of Zelaya to the United States authorities and to take active steps to prevent the thwarting of this plan either by the Nicaraguan guard of Zelaya or of the Mexican Government.

The United States is prepared to demand the surrender of the former President if he takes refuge, as his plan is said to be, under the Mexican flag on the gunboat General Guerrero, detailed to Corinto for the purpose of aiding him. Zelaya must answer for the death of Cannon and Groce.

MEXICAN WARSHIP WAITS AT CORINTO TO TAKE ZELAYA

COLON, Dec. 24.—The Mexican gunboat General Guerrero at Corinto to-day was in readiness to receive aboard Ex-President Zelaya in defiance of the protests expected from the United States, according to advices received here to-day. Feeling against Zelaya at Corinto has been running high for some time.

The election of Madriz as his successor was accepted there as a move of reform and the subsequent realization that Zelaya was still dominant and Madriz a mere puppet increased the anger of the "Stormy Petrel's" enemies. It is reported that extreme precautions to prevent Zelaya and his lieutenants, Madriz and Irias, as well, from attack by mob or by assassins have been taken, but that an outbreak is feared in spite of this step.

On the eastern coast Estrada is reported to have already started the vanguard of his army on the expedition to Managua. The provisional government is credited with dominating more territory than that controlled by the Zelayans. No opposition is looked for in the sweep of the rebel

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17 INJURED IN CHRISTMAS WRECK

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 24.—A Canadian Pacific train carrying 800 passengers was wrecked west of Sudbury, Ont., to-day, and seventeen persons are reported hurt. The passengers were mostly settlers in the Northwest on their way west for Christmas.

FIRED FROM NAVY FOR TAKING WIFE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Midshipman R. E. Austin, U. S. N., now on duty at Honolulu, has been dismissed from the navy for violating the rule of the department prohibiting midshipmen from marrying.

"The AMERICAN has the evening 'home' field in Boston exclusively."—Advertisers' Magazine.

2 FIREMEN KILLED IN LEWISTON

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 24.—Two firemen were killed and six badly hurt in a fire which early to-day destroyed the big three-story frame Callahan block in Lisbon street below Chestnut.

The dead men are Captain Philip Bassnett and Hoseman Thomas King.

Six men were injured when the walls and roof fell upon them. The injured are: Bartley Murphy, Frank Dulac of Auburn, Iver Robbins, Daniel Adams, Miner Day and M. N. Morriarity.

The loss will be about $25,000.

The fire started at about 1:30 a. m., and at 2:30 a call for help was made upon the Auburn department.

The fact that Callahan Brothers' big three-story brick building adjoined the frame block saved that entire part of town, for the wind was blowing that way, but the heavy brick walls stopped the blaze.

Three families in the upper floors of the block were routed from their sleep, but had time to dress and to save part of their effects.

Ten Firemen Under Debris.

Ten firemen were buried under falling walls. One of the men was suffocated and another drowned.

The firemen who were killed and injured had been working in a short blind alley at the side of the block. The roof and part of the wall suddenly crashed down and King, a substitute fireman, was hurled from the alleyway into the cellar, where he drowned in the water which had been poured on the flames for three hours.

Five of the firemen were but slightly injured and were able to go back to work. The men did gallant and brave work in rescuing their injured comrades and dragging out the bodies of the killed.

Origin Is Unknown.

The Callahan Block was occupied by Charles Cloutier's market, Joseph Ouiette's restaurant and Linney Brothers' fish market.

The families of Thomas Koryto, N. Rol and M. Delorp occupied the second and third floors.

How the fire started is not known. It is thought to have originated in the basement. It smoldered for three hours and the firemen were unable to find the real source of the flames until about 3 o'clock when the whole house burst into flames and the roof came crashing down.

Then a general alarm was sounded and the Auburn department appealed to.

BRITISH SHIP ASHORE.

London, Dec. 24.—The liner Southern Cross to-day ran ashore while entering the harbor of Vigo, Spain, and will probably be a total loss according to dispatches received by Lloyds. She was bound from Antwerp for Buenos Ayres. The Southern Cross is a ship of 3,348 tons and was built in 1892 at Belfast. She is owned by Houlder Bros. & Co., London. Anxiety was felt over her passengers.

THE WEATHER.

Fair to-day and Saturday; little change in temperature; west to southwest winds.

Sun rises, 7:12 a. m.; sets, 4:16 p. m.
Moon sets, 4:27 a. m.
High tide, 8:58 a. m.; 9:30 p. m.

AIRSHIP OR VENUS? MIDNIGHT MYSTERY OF THE SKY IS UNSOLVED

The strange light in the sky seen by Boston people last night and observed in various sections of Eastern Massachusetts, it is pretty safe to say, was not an airship. It may have been Venus displaying her charms.

One man who saw the light while looking straight at Venus made this remark:

"Why, I can hear the throbbing of the engine in the airship."

No one can be found who has seen the phantom airship of Wallace E. Tillinghast of Worcester. It is not believed to be possible that he could construct such a machine and go out riding in it at will without some one having got a near-view of the midnight marauder.

It takes time and space, and there is a deal of noise in launching an airship for a cruise in the sky. Where has Tillinghast found such a secluded spot?

Anyhow, if the stranger in the sky last night was an airship, and it was Tillinghast's airship, he wasn't in it, because he was in Worcester at the time the light appeared over Boston Common.

But Tillinghast says he has an airship and that when he gets it improved so that it suits him he'll tell all about it and let people see it. Here is what the Worcester inventor said to-day:

"I was out of Worcester on Wednesday night. Perhaps I flew over the city in my airship, but that doesn't concern the public. I've got what I think is the best machine ever put up, and I've made a 300-mile flight with it in one night. But the thing isn't perfected yet, and until it is I am not going to talk about it. You may search as long as you please for the place where the machine is stored, but you'll have one time in finding it."

$500,000 FACTORY FIRE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The New York Fire Department had one of the hardest fights in its history to-day with flames in the factory building at Nos. 334 to 340 Stanton street. The fire burned fiercely for nearly four hours, and during that time caused $500,000 damage. It was at first reported that four men were missing. This report proved to be erroneous. All were accounted for during the morning.

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ALARM CLOCK 50c

HOW A FAMOUS ARTIST GOT HIS TYPES—James Montgomery Flagg will tell it in the Sunday American.

NEW MULLINS TRIAL IS URGED BY ATTORNEYS

The motion for a new trial for James Mantir and Peter Delorey, convicted of the murder of Annie Mullins, was heard to-day by Judges Fox and White in the Superior Criminal Court at East Cambridge. After an hour the judges took the motion under advisement.

Both prisoners were in court and appeared in the best of spirits. Mantir smiled faintly as he entered the room, while Delorey greeted the reporters with a broad grin as he passed their table on his way to the cage.

Attorneys Winslow, McDermott and Maroney appeared for the boys. The new trial is sought on the grounds that the verdict of the previous trial was against the evidence.

"Mantir Not in Cambridge."

Attorney Winslow said:

"As regards Mantir. When we consider the entire situation, what we know personally of Mantir, what we have seen of him and what we know of him through others, we are convinced now, as we were during the trial, that he was not in Cambridge on the night of March 27, 1908, when Annie Mullins came to her death.

"I am also convinced that he knows nothing about the affair, and that the entire story told to the police by Delorey is a fabrication. Mrs. Elizabeth K. Delorey, aunt of Peter, who lives in Billerica, testified that on March 27, 1908, Peter and Mantir left the farm to go to Boston to get work. She says that she next saw them at 6:30 o'clock the next morning.

"Mrs. Delorey says that at that time her nephew Peter said that he and Mantir had come across lots all the way from Cambridge. It was a damp night, and yet there was nothing to back up that statement. Mantir's clothes were all right. There was nothing on his clothes or on his shoes to indicate that he had walked such a distance as that.

"She says that Mantir looked dark at the time that Peter said that there had been a murder in Somerville in back of her house, but that could be accounted for by the fact that Mantir had been in this country but a short time and did not understand the English language very well. It is easy to see that he may not have understood fully what Peter Delorey was saying to his aunt."

Attorney Winslow then referred to the evidence as to blood stains on Mantir's sweater and said:

"I believe that the testimony in regard to the sweater does not amount to much. It is unreasonable to suppose that the alleged blood stains on the garment were there from March 27, 1908, till the time of the fire.

It had not been allowed as evidence there is absolutely no doubt as to the outcome of the trial. We say that Peter lied. If James had said that Peter's story was false, the court would not have ruled the confession admissable. That he did not brand it as false was due to his lack of knowledge of the English language. He did make ejaculations which were equal to a flat denial.

Attacks Mrs. Delorey's Story.

"Now take the girl, whom the evidence shows to have been virtuous. It is unreasonable to believe that such a girl would wander about Arlington with two young men that night and finally go into a field with them. The evidence of Dr. Whitney in regard to the wound in Annie Mullins' throat—that a left-handed person could not have made such a wound with the left hand—injured us before the jury. We feel that that evidence should not have been admitted. It was not a question to be determined by expert testimony. It was purely a question of fact for the jury to determine.

Attorney McDermott followed Mr. Winslow. He attacked the testimony of Mrs. Delorey and declared that Peter Delorey's confession was impossible.

District Attorney Higgins declared that he was unaware of anything brought out by counsel for the defence to call for any extended argument, and declared that he was willing to take the ruling of the Court at this time.

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2 INCENDIARY SUSPECTS' BAIL SET AT $45,000

On the charge of arson and larceny Samuel I. Gordon and Morris and Michael Rudnick were held in a total of $45,000 bail for the Grand Jury by Judge Sullivan to-day in the Municipal Court. Bernard Davis, charged with receiving stolen property, was held in $3,000 for the Grand Jury.

Gordon and the Rudnick brothers ran a fur store at No. 119 Summer street, under the firm name of M. August & Co. Following an incendiary fire in the store last June all three were arrested, charged with setting fire to the place. A large quantity of furs were later located in a Washington street storehouse by the police and the additional charge of larceny was placed against the three men and Davis was charged with receiving stolen property.

On the arson charge Gordon was held in $15,000 and in $3,000 on the larceny charge. Morris Rudnick was held in $15,000 on the arson charge and $1,000 on the larceny. Michael Rudnick was held in $5,000 on the arson charge and $1,000 on the larceny. None of the men obtained bail.

THEATRE MENACED BY WEST END FIRE

Fire early to-day did $300 damage to the varnish shop of E. N. Hatch on the top floor of the five-story brick building at No. 4 Alden place, West End. The dense smoke that rolled out of the building hampered the firemen, and it was some time before they were able to reach the heart of the blaze. It was feared for a time that the fire would reach the stage of the Bowdoin Square Theatre adjoining, but the firemen succeeded in confining the blaze to the floor on which it started, and the fire was extinguished after a battle of about half an hour.

BABE ATE MORPHINE TABLETS FOR CANDY

WALTHAM, Dec. 24.—After the two and one-half-year-old daughter of Dr. Edward F. Dowd had swallowed a part of the contents of a bottle containing morphine tablets, thinking they were candy, her six-year-old brother ran to his father and told him that "sister has eaten something from a bottle and is awful sick."

Dr. Dowd worked over the child two hours before she was out of danger.

COAL CAR CUTS OFF MAN'S EARS

WORCESTER, Dec. 24.—Matthew Bomard, aged twenty-three, a coal car tender, had both ears cut off close to the head while at work in the roundhouse of the Boston & Maine Railroad. He stood so close to a small "dog" car full of coal that its edges cut off his ears as cleanly as if with a knife.

ON CUPID'S PASS RACING TO ALTAR

WASHINGTON, N. J., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Vietta Riddle is rushing from here to Perry, Okla., to wed Frank Bowlby to-morrow.

She is a widow and he a widower. They were childhood sweethearts, but found each other again only recently.

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TO-DAY'S CABLE NEWS

Up to Midnight, London Time

Historic "Six Bells" Tavern to Be Razed.

LONDON—The historic old "Six Bells," out Willesden way, the inn referred to by Harrison Ainsworth as the haunt of Jack Sheppard, is to be pulled down. Ainsworth lived at Kensel Rise Manor House, which is near Willesden. He rescribed Willesden in the novel as "the most charming and secluded village in the neighborhood of the metropolis, with its scattered farmhouses, its noble orangeries and its old gray church tower just peeping above a grove of rook-haunted trees." That was the church which Jack Sheppard robbed afterward (according to the "Six Bells Inn" legend), escaping from his prison by picking his way through the roof with a fork. It was at the "Six Bells," too, that he ordered refreshments in handsome manner after his mother's funeral.

Poet Watson Likes Havana.

HAVANA—William Watson, the poet, says that he and Mrs. Watson are traveling for pleasure. He does not know how long he will stay here, but he is much pleased with the city, which, he says, is very beautiful and most delightful. He declined to say anything about his much discussed poem, "The Woman with the Serpent's Tongue." There is nothing in his manner or conversation to lend credibility to the story told by his brother, Robinson Watson, that he is unbalanced mentally.

Mme. Rejane at "Mme. Margot."

PARIS—Mme. Rejane, in the title role of Mme. Margot, a new piece by Moreau and Clairville, proved herself as great an actress as ever, but hardly found sufficient scope for the full display of her talents. The play is old-fashioned, but the dialogue is very quaint and pleasing in the scenes between the divorced Queen and the children of her successor, Marie de Medicis, and also in those of Henri and Mistress Henriette Dentragues. These passages are marked by sweetness and tenderness.

Cuban Lottery a Failure.

HAVANA—The extraordinary Christmas drawing of the National Lottery, from which the government expected to derive a profit of $900,000, proved a failure. Only 18,000 of the 30,000 tickets were sold. The capital prize was won by a club of eighteen bricklayers and masons who are employed on a building now under construction in Havana. The drawing will probably show a considerable deficit on the government side.

Predicts Britain's Downfall.

BERLIN—Professor Theodore Schiemann, a recognized exponent of German imperialism and a friend of the Kaiser, has again taken the opportunity to predict the decline and fall of the British Empire. He has written an article in which he declares that he perceives many signs of disunion within the British Empire.

Castellane's Brother Ill.

PARIS—Count Jean de Castellane, brother of Count Boni and Count Stanislas de Castellane, is seriously ill at Tunis of appendicitis. An operation has been performed. His mother, the Marquise de Castellane, his wife and brother, Count Stanislas, have left here for Tunis.

France to Buy Aeroplanes.

PARIS—The government has asked for an immediate supplementary credit of $48,000 for the purchase of aeroplanes for the army. The machines will be used for scouting purposes.

NEWEST, STRANGEST FOODS—How the sea's depths are being searched for unknown fishes will be told in the Sunday American.

TRAINS DISCONTINUED.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad will discontinue a number of local trains into and out of Boston on Christmas Day. Notices of the trains to be discontinued are posted at local stations.

Mince Pie

Plum pudding, turkey dressing and other Christmas indigestibles may be freely eaten, if your digestion is weak, if you have ready at hand the agreeable, sugar-coated tablets known as Dyspeplets, the most up-to-date and delightful pharmaceutical product of the day.

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RIOTING IN MANAGUA; ZELAYA AND PRESIDENT GUARDED FROM MOB

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army on the capital. Zelaya and Madriz were left almost entirely without troops by the victory of Estrada near Rama, and the capital is unprotected.

ZELAYA HEAVILY GUARDED AGAINST MANAGUA RIOTERS

MANAGUA, Dec. 24.—Echoes of the report that ex-President Zelaya has completed his plans for flight to-day reached the people in spite of all the efforts of the government and threw the city into a ferment. Rioting is general. Many of the former President's most enthusiastic followers took part in the demonstrations brought about by this information. A strong guard was thrown about the presidential palace, and President Madriz and Zelaya were surrounded with an armed bodyguard of tried men.

Manifestants to-day parade the streets denouncing the flight project and demanding that Zelaya stay and quell the insurrection. The anti-Zelayans are jubilant. The agents of the provisional government and of General Estrada working secretly are reported to be active in laying plans to aid Estrada in his attack on the capital. The city is at the mercy of the Estradans. When Estrada ends his march it is believed generally that Madriz will be swept from the political field.

ZELAYA'S FORCES HAVE EVACUATED CITY OF GREYTOWN

BLUEFIELDS, Dec. 24.—The government troops have evacuated Greytown, according to advices received here, and the last possible obstacle to the march of the revolutionists on the capital is removed. General Estrada to-day dropped his preparations for an active engagement at Greytown and devoted all his energy to the dispatch of the first troops on the route that leads to Managua.

Greytown for weeks was held by a force of 1,000 Zelayans, under General Toledo. The commander is now reported to be at Managua, recalled by Zelaya. General Chamorro of the rebels, who besieged Greytown for some time, took part with his troops in the victory of Rama.

The news of that defeat to the Government is believed to be responsible for the flight of the Zelayan force from Graytown. By this coup a stunning blow is struck at Zelaya and his aides.

Suffering here among the 1,900 prisoners captured by Estrada at Rama is intense. The aid of the United States is urgently needed. Word that Secretary of State Knox had advised the American commanders here that $5,000 of the Red Cross funds was at their disposal and that an equal amount would be added if necessary was received with pitiful enthusiasm.

The details of the battle of Rama are now known. The victory of the insurgents was as complete as has been claimed by them.

After Zelaya's trenches had been shelled they were taken by assault. In the trenches were several women who preferred risking their lives in the conflict to starvation in camp.

These women were armed with rifles and fought courageously. One of them was wounded and later brought to the hospital here.

A large proportion of the prisoners were found to be boys under sixteen years of age.

WOMEN OF HULL CALLED FLIRTS BY MISS VINING

Miss Floretta Vining, editor of the Hull Beacon, in a paragraph in her paper assails the alleged improper conduct of some of her townswomen. The paragraph has set Hull tongues to wagging and, as it is printed under the head of Nantasket as well, has also caused a sensation in that section.

The paragraph reads:

> "What is the matter with some of the married women hereabouts that they are so flighty and frivolous? Why do they so lightly break away from the sanctity of home and home life, and go about making unenviable moral history which a few years from now they'll read with shame and sorrow?
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> "'A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.' Remember that the inheritance of character which one passes along to her children is carried down through the ages. 'To thine own self be true.'"

DISTINGUISHED COW NOW WEARS SHOES

WINSTED, Ct., Dec. 24.—Maude is certainly the most distinguished cow in Connecticut. She can be driven to a carriage, sulky, sleigh or wood sled and understands the meaning of a jerk on the reins and "giddap" as well as any horse. As if this was not enough she now enjoys the extra distinction of being the only cow wearing shoes in New England. This honor was thrust upon her to-day when her owner, Robert Stevens of Hartland, drove her to town and had Marshall Case, the village smith, do the work. Case has been in business fifteen years, but never shod a cow before.

LIFE'S EMOTIONS REVEALED — Ernest Thompson Seton will contribute a new chapter to science in the Sunday American.

BESSIE DEVOIE WEDDED GOULD, LAWYER SAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Attorneys for Frank J. Gould, who was sued by Bessie Devoie, the actress, for $200,000 for breach of promise, have received information, it was learned to-day, that a Bessie Devoie toured the West as a Mrs. Swor in a vaudeville team which did a soft-shoe dance.

At that time she was known as the wife of Swor, and no amount of inquiry could find any record of divorce, they say. Dispatches from Omaha, coupled with an interview with Miss Devoie, only served to render the case more perplexing.

The dispatches state that Mrs. Swor of the soft-shoe act was known in the West not only as "Miss Devoie," but also as Miss Van Dorn, the name by which the young woman who is suing Mr. Gould is known off the stage.

"Oh, it is an awful mistake," exclaimed the plaintiff in the action against Mr. Gould as she heard the story. "I spell my name with an 'I' It is only another of those terrible rumors which are being circulated about me to hurt me. In time they all will be proven false."

ANOTHER GIANT PIE SHIPPED TO TAFT

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 24.—A giant pie, identical with the one that was made for President Taft for Thanksgiving, which mysteriously disappeared on its way to Washington in custody of members of the International Pie Bakers' Association, left Newark last night under an armed guard provided by the express company. It is incased in an iron-bound oak case with a lock in charge of the guard, and will be handed over only to the chef of the White House or the President himself. It was said yesterday that President Taft had been notified that the pie was on its way.

"He said he was from Copenhagen," observed the head of the delegation that saw the pie off, "and would expect it when it was backed up to the front stoop."

TO OUR PATRONS

As another Christmas rolls around we wish to register our heartfelt appreciation for the confidence reposed in this house as evidenced by the ever-increasing volume of business centering here month after month—and particularly during the weeks just passed. The year 1909 has been one of unprecedented activity with us—and this December established a new high mark for a holiday season.

Our best and most sincere wishes are that one and all may enjoy a most Merry Christmas and that the New Year may bring to you a full measure of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

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REPORT GOOD SALES IN REAL ESTATE TODAY

Some very good sales of property were reported in the real estate market to-day.

Hasket Derby has sold to Thomas P. Beal et al., trustees, the four-story stone structure and 1,323 square feet of land at No. 40 Eastern avenue, North End. This property is assessed on a total valuation of $10,600, of which $8,600 is on the land.

In the same section of the city the four-story stone building and 1,323 square feet of land, adjoining at No. 42 Eastern avenue, have been purchased by Thomas P. Beal et al, trustees, from Sarah B. Williamson. The estate is taxed for a total of $10,000, of which $8,500 is on the land.

Deed has gone to record in the sale of the estate at the corner of Lake and Kendrick streets, Brighton, owned by Louise M. Dunn, which has been purchased by the Boston Cenacle Society. The property, comprising a frame house and 392,040 square feet of land, is assessed on a total valuation of $24,700, of which $19,600 is on the land.

In Roxbury Samuel C. Gunn has sold to Theodore H. Tyndale the two frame houses and 3,085 square feet of land at Nos. 7-9½ Marcella street, corner of 192-194 Thornton street. This estate is taxed on a total valuation of $16,400, of which $2,000 is on the land.

George Walker has sold to Joseph Lewenburg, title passing through Henry S. Clark et ux, the large frame house and 12,488 square feet of land at Nos. 1,043-1,045 Dorchester avenue, corner of Pearl street, Dorchester. The whole property is assessed for $9,300, of which $4,300 is on the land.

Another Dorchester property sold is that at No. 63 Rosseter street, corner of Rosseter place, comprising a frame house and 3,500 square feet of land, which has been purchased by Thomas Kelly from Samuel A. Tatten et ux. The estate is taxed on a total valuation of $2,400, of which $900 is on the land.

Philip L. Schuyler of the Easton Building reports the sale of the property in North Andover, known as the George E. Curwen estate, situated at the corner of Osgood and Prescott streets, to Nathaniel Stevens, Esq., of North Andover. The property consists of about ten acres of land, upon which are a large dwelling house, stable, garage and coachman's cottage, all assessed for $10,000.

Deeds have been recorded at Plymouth, transferring title in two lots of land at North Scituate Beach belonging to the estate of Walter H. Spooner, title being given by Frank W. Kean, executor. The lots adjoin each other on Beach road, one containing 20,685 square feet of land with 100-foot frontage, being purchased by Adelaide C. Drew of Boston, and the second, containing 31,027 square feet, with 150-foot frontage, going to Henry S. Hurlbut of Brookline.

The new owners will immediately build bungalows for next Summer's occupancy. George A. Dill of the Tremont Building was the broker in the transaction.

The Chapin Farm Agency has sold for the owner, Orin E. Boyce, his poultry and vegetable farm, situated on Chestnut street, Middleboro, comprising six acres of land, an atractive residence, with a barn and a poultry house, including the complete stock of poultry, team, vehicles, machinery and tools. The estate was sold to Thomas E. Dolliver of Boston, who will engage in the poultry business more extensively.

LATEST SONG FREE!! "The Trysting Tree," from "The Belle of Brittany." Words and music with the Sunday American.

UNDER KNIFE 23 TIMES IN 5 YEARS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—For the twenty-third time in five years Captain Edward C. Brown, a patient in the Kings County Hospital, went under the knife yesterday. Captain Brown was taken to the county hospital several months ago. Since then every month he has undergone an operation for some physical deformity. Among other operations he has lost a kidney and an eye. The Captain is the most good-natured patient in the hospital. He was a sailor for forty years, but is now a resident of Long Branch, N. J.

A SUNDAY AMERICAN want advt. is often the road to fortune.

HAS HYSTERIA WHEN THIEF GRABS PURSE

Mrs. Ida L. Parker, a widow, who lives at No. 49 Condor street, East Boston, was treated at the Relief Hospital for hysteria brought on by having her pocketbook snatched from her hand while at Hanover and Washington streets.

She was just leaving a store when a young man grabbed her pocketbook and ran away with it.

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THIS OFFICER NOT TO BLAME FOR CLUBBING

In its report on December 22 of the civil suit brought against Patrolman William F. McDonald of Joy street police station by Max Berman, the lame newsboy, for damages on account of a clubbing administered to Berman by McDonald in Bowdoin square on the night of October 24, the BOSTON AMERICAN said that the defendant in the case, who was ordered to pay $150 to Berman, was Patrolman "William F. McDonald" of Hanover street station.

This error has wrought a grave injustice on an entirely innocent man. There is no Patrolman "William F. McDonald" at Hanover street station, but there is a Patrolman William McDonald. Readers of the report of the McDonald action have thought, therefore, that Patrolman William McDonald of Hanover street was the man on whom the damages were imposed by the court.

Not Concerned in Case.

Patrolman McDonald of Hanover Street Station, the officer who is in no way concerned in this case, was appointed to the Boston Police Department as a reserve officer on January 30, 1904. He was assigned to Hanover Street Station. On April 13, 1906, he was promoted to be a regular patrolman, remaining at the same station.

The BOSTON AMERICAN cheerfully makes this correction in justice to Patrolman William McDonald of Hanover Street Station. The fact that Bowdoin Square, the scene of the clubbing of Berman, is outside of the precincts of Hanover Street Station, is sufficient in itself to show that a Hanover street patrolman would not be concerned in the case.

Patrolman William F. McDonald of the Joy street station, the man who is guilty of clubbing the crippled newsboy, was appointed to the Boston Police Department as reserve officer on December 9, 1907. He was assigned to the Joy street station. He was promoted to be a regular patrolman on January 14, 1909, remaining at Joy street station.

The assault which Patrolman William F. McDonald of Joy street station committed on Berman was, as witnesses testified, entirely without excuse. Berman was in a newsboys' quarrel with another chap, and Patrolman William F. McDonald of Joy street station arrested them. Boylike, Berman tried to escape and was felled with a blow from the patrolman's club, which nearly broke Berman's already crippled leg.

Ordered Damages for Boy.

Judge Duff in the civil session of Boston Municipal Court on December 22 found for Berman in the damage suit brought by the latter against Patrolman William F. McDonald of Joy street station. The court scored the defendant. This means that the officer went beyond all need in making the arrest and that damages were due the victim. The court then made a finding that Patrolman William F. McDonald of Joy street station pay damages of $150 to Max Berman, the crippled newsboy.

Berman's case was handled by Attorney Frederic Wingersky. The defence was represented by Leo A. Rogers, secretary to Police Commissioner Stephen O'Meara.

BROKAW SAYS HE'S READY TO FORGIVE WIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A proposal of reconciliation between William Gould Brokaw and his wife, who is suing him for a separation in the Supreme Court at Mineola, L. I., was made to her on his behalf to-day by his counsel, while he was on the witness stand to deny the allegations made against him.

When questioned by his lawyer, Brokaw said that he had no unkindly feeling toward his wife, and that the real trouble with her was that her word could not be relied upon. She was not in the court room at the time.

"You have no unkindly feeling toward the plaintiff at this time?" Attorney McIntyre asked.

"I never have had."

Can't Believe Wife.

"If she should assure you now that she would return to you and cease charging you with going out with other women would you forgive her?"

"I would if I could believe her, but one time she would say one thing and the next minute deny it."

"Did you know 'Bunny' or Bert Wells?"

"I never heard of him till last Summer," said Brokaw.

Big Factor in the Case.

This was the first time since he took the stand that the name of Wells, which McIntyre threatened would be a big factor in the case, came up.

Brokaw said he first heard of Wells after the latter had been a luncheon guest at the house.

"Mrs. Brokaw refused to tell me the name of the man who slept in my room," he said and demanded the production of her telegram of refusal. Attorney Baldwin denied that such a message existed.

He said he ordered the Great Neck house closed because his wife had told him she was to take an apartment in the city. When she declined to go to the apartment house he selected, Brokaw said he directed that she be paid $150 a week. This was done from December, 1908, to last July. He denied ever striking her or threatening her life.

SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE MAY CLOSE MINES

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 24.—A general shutdown of the Butte mines is threatened as the result of the switchmen's strike, which has produced an alarming shortage of coal. Superintendent Gillies of the Amalgamated and Manager A. H. Wethey of the Clark interests to-day announced that only an immediate settlement of the strike could avert the closing of the camp, which would throw thousands of men out of work.

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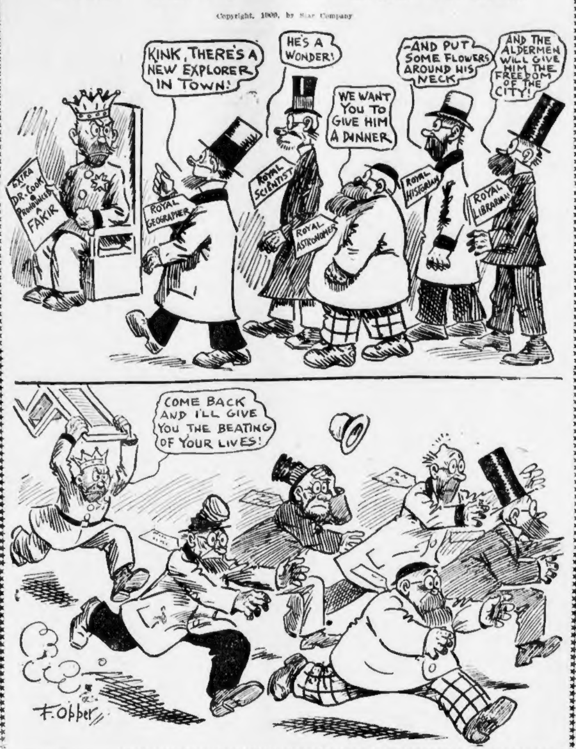
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ARMY TO GIVE XMAS DINNERS TO 14,000 POOR

Fourteen thousand Christmas dinner baskets will be given away to-morrow by the Salvation Army. Each basket will contain a large chicken and the other necessaries to a substantial dinner. The Army also will feed 200 destitute persons at the Rescue Home on Hampton street and 100 at the Industrial Home in Dorchester. There will be a distribution of toys to children at the People's Palace in the afternoon, and in the evening there will be the regular Christmas exercises.

The entire working force of the local contingent of the Army is busy to-day, preparing the Christmas baskets for distribution. Besides a chicken each basket will contain a half-peck of potatoes, a half-peck of turnips, a quart of cranberries, a bunch of celery, squash, onions, dressing material, a can of condensed milk, a pound of sugar, a half pound of coffee, a can of vegetables, a loaf of bread, a mince pie, a can of salmon and a quantity of nuts, candy and apples.

The distribution of the baskets will begin at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. They will be given to heads of families holding tickets, each of whose cases has been investigated to determine the degree of the necessity of the applicant. More than 600 names of poor families were furnished by the Associated Charities, and the police contributed several hundred.

Colonel Gifford says that the street collections this year are far below the usual amount, owing to the requirement for the stopping of collecting work at 5 o'clock each evening. This, he says, entails a loss of about $500 each day, as workers returning to their homes would contribute more in their hour than is contributed during the rest of the day. He also says that there is more poverty than ever before.

MAYOR BROWN OUSTS HOWE

LOWELL, Dec. 24.—Mayor George H. Brown to-day startled this city as never before when he removed Harry W. J. Howe from the Board of Charity Commissioners and appointed John McManus in his stead.

Brown's act has caused the widest discussion and his political enemies freely declare that if he was not dead politically already this removal of Howe and appointment of McManus has done for him.

Howe some time ago brought charges against the fellow members of the board, claiming that they were starving the inmates at the City Farm, in an attempt to make a financial record. These charges had a great deal of effect on the recent municipal election and cost Brown a lot of votes.

Howe declared that Brown had really induced him to make the charges and that after he had done so the Mayor deserted him.

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MORE GIRLS IN SHOE PLANT OUT ON STRIKE

Fifteen additional employes of the Engle & Cone shoe factory in East Boston joined the ranks of the strikers to-day, making 80 out in all. It was declared at the union rooms that unless the firm settled the trouble by reinstating the five lasters over whom the strike started Wednesday afternoon, the probability was that the entire factory, with its 200 other employes, would be closed down Monday. Thirty of the strikers are girls.

"And, we're all going to the Christmas Eve Ball at Commonwealth Hall this evening!" declared Annie Andrews, a pretty seventeen-year-old girl striker, an announcement that was greeted with cheers by her companions, for the girls, as well as the men seem confident that they will win their strike. The union, they declared, will see to it that they don't suffer.

Elmer F. Robinson of Lynn, representing the United Shoe Workers of America, declared that the general organization is prepared to go the limit to win the East Boston strike. The girls, he asserted, will be well cared for, and no one need fear that their Christmas would be spoiled, even though they were out on strike in the dead of the Winter.

"The firm has refused to reinstate the five lasters, who are perfectly willing to waive the disputed points that caused them to walk out when they were shifted over on a piece schedule," declared Business Representative Benjamin Baker of the East Boston local union. "And, the union purposes to continue this strike until this is done. In fact, if the firm does not settle before Monday we may strike all the departments immediately after the holidays."

SHOPLIFTERS ARE SENTENCED

A woman who gave the name of Ellen Yeaton and said she lived at No. 1 Puritan avenue, Roslindale, was arrested last night on the charge of shoplifting by Inspector Knox and got a bondsman to provide $100 bail for her after she was taken to police headquarters. The bondsman went with her to a house in Roxbury, where she was, it is understood, to give him some security. She went in the front door, and after waiting ten minutes for her to come out the bondsman went into the house himself and did not find her. Another woman told him that a stranger had come there and she was followed by a man she wanted to elude and asked to be let out the back door.

When the woman's name was called today in the municipal court session, over which Judge Duff was presiding, the woman failed to appear. Inspector Knox obtained a default warrant for her arrest.

Nine women were sentenced to prison yesterday for shoplifting. These were sentenced to the Suffolk County Jail or the House of Correction for terms varying from fourteen days to one month.

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$100,000,000 STEEL PLANTS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—About $100,000,000 will be the Christmas present of the United States Steel Corporation and its subsidiary companies to the steel making territory from South Chicago to Gary, Ind. This sum will be expended in building new plants and enlarging existing shops the coming year.

Formal announcement of the estimate for the construction plants and of the enlarging of existing facilities will be made in due time from the main offices of the United States Steel Corporation, says E. J. Buffington, president of the Illinois Steel Company.

The extensions mean the employment of possibly 5,000 additional men in the coming year.

FIRE ROUTS OUT JEROMES

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—District Attorney William Travers Jerome, his wife and their son "Buster" were driven from the Hotel Westmoreland early to-day by fire which started in the four-story and basement building at No. 42 Union square which backs on the hotel.

The basement and first three floors of the Union square building were occupied by business concerns.

The flames, which seemed to have started on the fourth floor, soon shot over the roof of the hotel. The night clerk quickly notified all the guests that the hotel was in no danger and that they need feel no alarm.

However, smoke began pouring into the hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Jerome were aroused and they aroused "Buster" and the three, along with other guests, decided it was easier to breathe on the street than in their apartments.

INNKEEPER'S DAUGHTER A PRINCESS, and her sister wedded to a millionaire. Read this remarkably romantic fact story in the Sunday American.

MANY PERISH BY FLOODS IN SPAIN

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Tremendous damage was done and many lives are reported to be lost in Salamanca and Leon provinces by floods. Burges, Bilbao, Valladolid and Zomora suffered most among the towns. The situation is described as worse than it has been in half a century. Houses throughout the affected district have been swept away. Reports from Portugal say that the floods there have done much damage.

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HOLLAND HELD IN QUANN CASE

Charged with manslaughter in having caused the death of John J. Quann, a surveyor in the city engineer's office, Harry G. Holland, twenty-six years of age, of No. 95 Marshall street, Winthrop, was arraigned in the Municipal Court to-day. His case was continued to December 29, at the same bail of $5,000.

Holland and Quann had a fight in Broad street about two weeks ago, as a result of which Quann had to go to the Relief Hospital to be treated for bruises. He was fixed up and sent home. There was no indication at the time that his condition was serious. A few hours after his arrival home he died, and an autopsy showed that he had sustained a fractured skull. Holland's arrest followed.

HOLTON LOSES DIVORCE SUIT

George L. Holton, who asked the court in Boston to issue an injunction restraining his wife Jane from telephoning to his place of business with the Derby Desk Company, has lost his suit for a divorce in St. Louis, according to dispatches received from that city to-day.

Mrs. Holton has been living in Webster Groves, and her husband in St. Louis for more than a year. The woman, who has two children, went there to oppose Holton's suit for divorce. Each charged the other with desertion.

Mrs. Holton told Judge Williams how her husband had her arrested in Somerville after he had brought the suit to restrain her from telephoning him at the Derby Desk Company's offices. Holton said that his employers had threatened to discharge him if his wife didn't stop using the telephone.

The case caused a great deal of interest here, as it involved unusual features. The court refused to enjoin the wife on the ground that she had a right to telephone her husband when she desired.

FUNNIEST JOKES EVER—See the comic supplement of the Sunday American. It is the acknowledged leader.

LONDON BOY SINGER COMING TO BOSTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The liner Lusitania arrived to-day with 3,165 packages of Christmas mail after a bad passage. Sir Charles Wyndham, the actor, was aboard, as were Mme. Liza Lehman, who brought over Albert Hole, a boy singer; Lady Duff Gordon, General Stephen M. Weld and Reginald Tower, British sub minister to Mexico. Hole, the boy singer of London, is booked for a fifteen weeks' engagement, which opens next week in Boston. He is fifteen.

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SANTA CLAUS IN WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—More than $1,000,000 was distributed to-day as Christmas presents in Wall street by the various brokerage and financial houses. Not one in the street failed to remember the holidays and the prosperity in the financial world in the last year sent the total above the average.

The house of J. P. Morgan & Co. gives the most to its employes, and in the past the remembrances have equalled a full year's salary to the recipients. The Central Trust Company alone this year gave $50,000, fifty per cent. of their annual salaries, to all its employes. The Christmas fund to be distributed among employes of the Stock Exchange is said to be the largest ever raised by that institution. The Consolidated or "little" exchange this year gives each employe five per cent. of his annual salary. Practically every brokerage house in the financial district gave each of its employes two weeks' extra salary as a Christmas gift.

A SUNDAY AMERICAN want advt. is often the road to fortune.

THRONG AT FUNERAL OF "TIM" SULLIVAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Ten thousand persons, representing every element in the lower East Side, and every walk of life as well, attended the funeral to-day of "Little 'Tim'" Sullivan, thronged the streets outside his home at No. 222 East Twelfth street and St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church a block away and along the line of the funeral procession to and from the Sullivan Club on the Bowery.

EXTRAORDINARY TRANSLATION—The Sunday American will contain the latest and most fascinating story by Karl Ewald, the famous Danish author.

EXTRADITION IN BATHTUB CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The mother and mother-in-law, respectively, of Mrs. Ocey Snead, the West Orange bathtub victim, Mrs. Caroline B. Martin and Mrs. Mary W. Snead, were again called up for arraignment in the Tombs Police Court to-day to answer the charge of being fugitives from justice.

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WAGE DEMAND HITS MILLIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Announcement was made to-day that the formal demands of the 125,000 railroad employes working on all the lines east of the Mississippi would be laid before the railroad companies on January 3. In these demands, the men, including passenger and freight train conductors and switchmen, will demand a wage increase of from 12 to 53 per cent, according to the positions they hold with the companies and length of service.

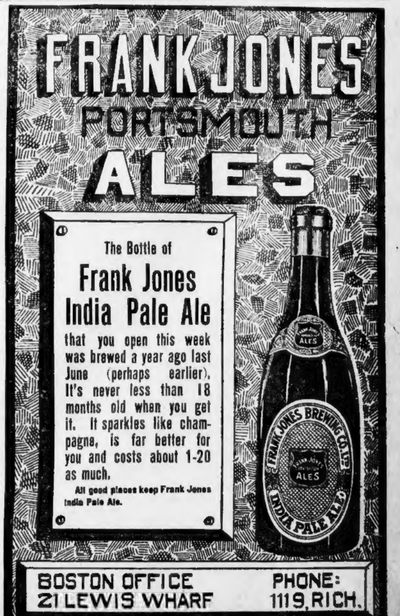
When the demands are laid before the employers an adjustment committee representing each of the railroads will, according to plans that have not yet been completed, meet another committee from the employes and endeavor to make terms that will be satisfactory to both parties and thus stave off what would be the most gigantic railroad strike in the history of the railroads of the East.

HOT WEATHER MELTS EUROPE

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A meteorological phenomenon, which, it is said, has not been known in 150 years, is being experienced in parts of western and southern Europe. The temperature has risen with astonishing suddenness under the influence of a southerly wind to a Summer level. The contrast has been most marked in Spain, France and Switzerland, but has been very great further north.

Concurrently with the gale in Great Britain the mercury in London rose in the course of a few hours from 27 to 55 degrees. Even last night the temperature was above 50 degrees. In Paris the thermometer registers 60 degrees.

The sudden change had a strange effect in the theatres last night. It was necessary to shut off the heating apparatus and to open all the doors and ventilators, notwithstanding which several persons fainted from the heat. Further south 70 degrees is common.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STOREY FAILS TO GIVE NAME OF ACCUSER

Moorfield Storey to-day refused to make public the name of the man whom, he says, was not granted a city permit for which he applied until after he had promised John F. Fitzgerald (then Mayor) in person that he would advertise in the Republic, Fitzgerald's weekly newspaper. Here is what Mr. Storey told the First Voters' Association of Ward 11 at a meeting last night:

"There was a certain man who needed a permit from the city and after waiting some time for it he called up the Mayor on the telephone and inquired about it. Mr. Fitzgerald, who was then Mayor, said that he had the permit right under his thumb and remarked that the other party was not an advertiser in his paper, the Republic. When the other party signified his willingness to advertise, the Mayor said he would send a canvasser down right away. The permit and the advertisement were both granted."

The race-religion question has no place in the Boston mayoralty campaign, according to Mr. Storey.

"I have been much surprised to hear some persons say that the Mayor of this city should represent the dominant race and religion," he said. "I had always supposed that every man who votes in this country was an American and that after naturalization a man was just as good an American as one born here.

"The late Mayor Patrick Collins once said: 'There are no Irish-Americans, Anglo-Americans or Franco-Americans in this country. We are all Americans with the same rights and duties.'

"I don't understand that the Catholic religion stands for anything that all the citizens do not approve. No man of Irish descent and Catholic faith can strike his race or religion a worse blow than to say that he will support for public office an Irish Catholic, no matter what his character or fitness may be. That would mean a position which no race or church could take and long remain dominant."

Fitzgerald's Campaign

GREAT TEMPLE RALLY WILL BE FITZGERALD FEATURE NEXT WEEK

The campaign headquarters of John F. Fitzgerald were closed at one o'clock this afternoon until nine o'clock Monday morning. Next week the former mayor and his friends will begin the battle with redoubled energy.

This has been a hard week for Fitzgerald and he needs the rest that will come with Christmas and Sunday. His voice is a little hoarse but in no danger of giving out. His enthusiasm is growing as the days of the campaign pass.

On Monday Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell will join the Fitzgerald oratorical forces, and it will be a week of red-hot speechmaking. O'Connell is regarded as one of the best campaign orators in Boston and he is preparing to make the effort of his life.

Fitzgerald and O'Connell will invade the domain of James Donovan on Monday evening. A big meeting has been arranged for the Franklin schoolhouse, Ward 9, on that evening. Both Fitzgerald and O'Connell will make speeches.

It is hinted that those who attend the Franklin schoolhouse rally will be entertained well. One of the speakers may have something to say about Congressman John A. Keliher, who is enlisted with the Storrow warriors.

The big meeting of the week will be on Tuesday evening at Tremont Temple. An effort will be made to surpass the Storrow meeting at that place Saturday night. Fitzgerald, O'Connell and other prominent speakers will address this meeting.

The Fitzgerald campaign workers are enthusiastic over the progress of the campaign up to this time. They declare that Fitzgerald is gaining strength and that they expect this to continue up to election day.

Mr. Fitzgerald has written another letter to Mr. Storrow, in which he says: "Your timidity in declining to meet me in a joint public discussion of our records has recently degenerated into downright cowardice."

Portions of the letter follow:

"You have not yet given the public a good reason for avoiding a joint discussion with me. You have no good reason to give, unless you know that the facts, the truth concerning these campaign stories will not help your candidacy.

Confident of Success.

"I am so confident of success that I think I can afford to give you some good advice. The unfair attacks which have been made upon me have not disturbed my good nature and I wish you no greater personal misfortune than your inevitable defeat. If the services of this class of men are costing you anything you will do better to apply your resources elsewhere.

"I shall pursue you with certain pertinent questions throughout this canvass. You may attempt to answer them or not as you please. You ought to answer them. They relate to matters which concern your fitness for office. You will answer them if you can, for silence will be a confession.

"You know that it has lately been the fashion to excuse the political corruption of men in big business by saying that they do things to the public which they would not do in their private business. What will you say if it should be proved that you do things in your business life that your friends have tried and failed to prove against me in my public life?

Back to Smelting Case.

"Before passing to others of your financial transactions, permit me to remind you that you have not yet told the public whether as a director in the United States Smelting Company you voted to do the following things, all of a character which if done by me as Mayor would have filled you with pious horror:

"1. Did you not vote to sell to your fellow directors on private terms 30,000 shares of stock for less than your company could have obtained for them in the market? Before you say any more about gift contracts don't you think you ought to answer this question?

"2. Did you not vote to organize certain roundabout devices called subsidiary companies, formed that certain favored directors might get large sums of money out of the enterprise which they did not dare to take directly and openly? The letter in which these charges are contained has already been published. Its author is a man of great prominence and of public distinction. Why don't you plead to the charge? Guilty or not guilty?

"You must meet the issues or you will soon learn that these are not the days when a large campaign fund can take the place of argument."

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NEWEST FASHIONS — Every woman who wants to know the latest sartorial fads will find them in the Sunday American.

COUNT AND AIDE SLAIN BY ARABS

ROME, Dec. 24.—Natives in the Yamen district of Arabia have killed Count Tionzone and the German merchant who accompanied him, according to advices received to-day by the foreign office. The Yamen district has caused the Turkish government much trouble and many expeditions of pacification and reprisal have been sent against the Arabs there.

MR. TAFT PLAYS SANTA CLAUS ROLE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Taft is the Santa Claus of the employes of the White House. Each man with a family and a salary of less than $1,200 a year has received the customary White House turkey. Others got a $5 gold piece. The money spent for turkeys and the gold pieces took about $500 from the President's private purse.

D. U. CLUBHOUSE AT CORNELL IS BURNED

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Fire to-day destroyed the Delta Upsilon fraternity house at Cornell University. The house was located at No. 6 South avenue. It was built in 1891, at a cost of $25,000. The total loss on building and furnishings is computed at $20,000, with insurance at $17,000.

WORLD'S RICHEST HOODOO —The wonderful story of the great Hope Diamond. Absorbing psychological study in the Sunday American.

BIG LINER RUNS IN ALGIERS MUD

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Hamburg-American liner Sambia to-day grounded in the harbor of Algiers according to a dispatch received here by Lloyds. She was bound from Hamburg for Japan and had a big passenger list. Tugs were sent to her aid, but the vessel was held firm amidships.

"The AMERICAN has the evening 'home' field in Boston exclusively."—Advertisers' Magazine.

XMAS PARCELS BURNED.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 24.—The office of the Adams Express Company here was destroyed by fire along with five hundred Christmas parcels that had been received or were being sent out. Owing to the variable character of the heavy holiday shipments it is impossible to estimate the total loss.

LONG TECH HOLIDAY.

The Christmas holidays at Technology began to-day, recess being continued to January 3, a longer period than the faculty has granted for several years at the institute.

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CONGRESSMAN WHO ASKS FITZGERALD TO DENY HIS CHARGES

JOHN A. KELIHER.

'CAN'T STOP ME FROM TALKING,' SAYS KELIHER

Congressman John A. Keliher, in a statement to the BOSTON AMERICAN to-day, says that the best way for Mayor Fitzgerald to stop the Keliher attacks on him is to deny the charges or to bring action for slander.

"The organized band of professional rally-disturbers which Fitzgerald has been sending out nightly, not to jeer at what I say, but to jeer so that I won't say anything, cannot stop me. They hurt Fitzgerald and make votes for Storrow at every place where they appear.

"The question naturally arises: 'Why doesn't Fitzgerald stop them if they are hurting him?'

"The answer is that Fitzgerald knows just as well as I do that the revulsion of feeling against him because of the tactics of these marauders is not one-tenth what it would be if the audiences were permitted to see him stripped as I would strip him."

Denies Fitz Is to Blame.

"Any statement to the effect that ex-Mayor Fitzgerald packed the Storrow rallies or was responsible for any unfavorable demonstrations is the rankest falsehood," said Richard F. Field, secretary to the ex-Mayor to-day.

"Both Mr. Fitzgerald and everybody connected with his headquarters have instructed all whom they could possibly reach not to take part in attempts to block free speech, and for Mr. Storrow to charge that the interruptions were with the knowledge and approval of Mr. Fitzgerald is manifestly unfair and pretty cheap politics," he said.

"As far as the demonstrations against Mr. Keliher are concerned, they are simply the spontaneous expression of disapproval which decent people feel at the rantings of a mud-slinging hireling. The same motive undoubtedly inspires him to take the stump against ex-Mayor Fitzgerald as inspired him to vote against the pure food bill in Congress.

"Real Mr. Keliher."

"The real Mr. Keliher could be seen, minus the veneer and false polish, were the public permitted to read the verbatim report of all that occurred at the Ward 24 rally, where he was not permitted to speak. Obviously the newspapers could not print the language that he used when answering the person in the audience who made a remark that cut, but it at least showed those who were present the true Mr. Keliher. Had the police done their duty, Mr. Keliher would have spoken no more that evening."

CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT GILCHRIST'S STORE

At a meeting of the buyers and assistant buyers of the Gilchrist Company today President C. C. Ferris, Vice-President William Jardine and William Butler, treasurer, complimented the attendants on their success in obtaining an enormous increase in business, assuring them that it has been the biggest year in the store's history and presenting each with an envelope containing a generous sum of money and a card reading as follows: "In appreciation of your faithful services and the efforts you have made to advance our business, we ask that you kindly accept the enclosed with our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Sincerely yours,

"GILCHRIST COMPANY."

A similar distribution of money is to be extended to every employe, including cash boys and girls, together with a liberal commission to all salespeople in addition to regular salaries on sales from December 1 to December 24.

PROF. WINSLOW IS TO LEAVE TECH

Professor C. E. A. Winslow of the department of biology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology has turned in his resignation to the faculty and will leave the institute at the end of the school year to fill the chair of the newly created department of biology at the college of the City of New York, where he will also act as curator of the American Museum of Natural History. Professor Winslow has been granted leave of absence for January, February and March, when he will substitute for Professor E. O. Jordan of the University of Chicago in bacteriology.

FUR WORKERS WILL STRIKE HERE XMAS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The officers of the International Fur Workers Union today completed arrangements for the strike to begin to-morrow in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Baltimore simultaneously. Twenty thousands employes will walk out. The strikers demand sanitary shops, recognition of the union, a wage increase of 25 per cent. and a nine hour day. Business Agent Weiner to-day said that a fund of $25,000 was already on hand, and that $100,000 could be raised to aid the strikers.

EX-SENATOR GETS DE ARMOND PLACE

BUTLER, Mo., Dec. 24.—Ex-State Senator C. C. Dickinson of Henry county received the Democratic nomination for Congress in the sixth district to-day. The convention took 675 ballots. Dickinson received 42 votes and J. W. Suddath 32 on the last ballot. The vacancy in the sixth district was caused by the death of Congressman David A. De Armond.

Storrow's Campaign

STORROW, RESTING FOR HOLIDAYS, IS PLEASED WITH THE SITUATION

James J. Storrow will not accept John F. Fitzgerald's invitation to meet him in joint debate, with the side offer that Fitzgerald will withdraw from the mayoralty race if Storrow proves his charges against him, and this because James J. Storrow doesn't believe in John F. Fitzgerald's promises. Mr. Storrow says that he will not let Mr. Fitzgerald run the Storrow campaign. Fitzgerald's chief ability is in the letter-writing line, according to Mr. Storrow.

The campaign headquarters of Mr. Storrow closed at noon to-day for the Christmas holidays. Mr. Storrow will not get back into the political harness again until Monday. He will spend Christmas at his Beacon street home with Mrs. Storrow, who has almost recovered from her illness of typhoid fever.

Satisfied With Conditions.

A typewritten statement issued from the Storrow headquarters to-day contained these assertions:

> Mr. Storrow is well satisfied with the campaign, and especially pleased with the close attention he has received at his meetings. Many business men have joined the Campaign League. Letters from business men say the interests of the city demand Storrow's election.

Men throughout New England are watching the election, and they believe the election of Storrow will give an impetus to business throughout the entire section. Mr. Storrow has gained strength in the city, while Mr. Fitzgerald is rapidly losing his original strength.

The flagstone cases, in which the city was defrauded of $14,000; the crushed stone deal, in which the city lost $172,000; the Couman street land deal, in which a gang of political speculators raided the city treasury for $6,000.

Many Big Rallies.

Storrow has shown effectively that these losses would have paid for the education of thousands of school children; would have employed thousands of laboring men, and would have built some new streets. His argument that by these methods the ex-Mayor has proven himself to be an enemy of the city laborer rather than a friend has gone unchallenged.

Beginning Monday the campaign will be pushed with the utmost vigor for the remaining two weeks. A number of rallies have been arranged—at Faneuil Hall, on the docks, in the wool district, and at Walworth's and other big factories. It is expected that Curtis Guild, Jr., and Guy A. Ham will take the stump. The candidates will cover every section of the city in whirlwind tours.

News Notes of Partyless Politics

Mayor Hibbard's secretary, "Jimmy" White, and James J. Storrow's secretary, Hugh Drysdale, in earnest conversation a day or two ago in the rear of City Hall, made those who saw them believe that perhaps they were arranging a treaty of peace between their respective candidates.

Alderman "Tom" Giblin considers the fact that plans for the East Boston court house and police station have been completed and the site just selected, a good Christmas present from the administration to him. He introduced the order which resulted in the appropriation.

The Fitzgeraldites and the Storrowites are neighbors in Ward 4, Charlestown, as they are in Ward 9. The Storrow headquarters are located on the second floor of the Mishawaum Building and yesterday the Fitzgerald quarters were opened on the same floor.

Nothing much is heard from Councilman Frank A. Goodwin and his lone fight for a place in the new City Council. Goodwin is fighting without the aid of any slate, but his platform, "In the interest of the Taxpayer and Against the Taxdodger," is doing the work.

"I want to tell you about that East Boston garbage contract," said Mr. Storrow at a noisy rally. The rowdies in the crowd howled and jeered. "I am going to tell you about that East Boston garbage contract if I have to stay here all night," said Mr. Storrow. And he stood there till the noise stopped. Then he told about that East Boston garbage contract just as he said he would.

The audience at the Old Franklin schoolhouse rally last night wouldn't let Congressman Keliher stop speaking, and he was a bit behind his schedule when he reached Charlestown. Former Senator Jim Mellen was anxious, and telephoned to Keliher's headquarters. "Young Jack" Keliher, a nephew, assured Mellen that the congressman was on his way. "I was afraid the loss of that new hat might have kept him away," said Mellen.

Worra! Worra! Jimmie White is worried. Listen what he told an audience at the City Club last night: "It somewhat takes the interest out of things for a man to go home and be asked by his wife who the ladies were he had been taking down the harbor in a city steamboat."

Martin Lomasney is not going to be substituted for one of the other candidates on the Curley-Timilty ticket for City Council. Martin is too busy trying to elect other people to run for anything himself.

"I'm past forty years of age," said Congressman Keliher at one of last night's rallies. "You don't look it," shouted one of his listeners. And he doesn't. He could easily pass for a little more than thirty. As a matter of fact, he is just forty-three years one month and eighteen days old.

An unofficial statement from the Election Commissioners' office says that Thomas F. Curley, Frank B. Crane and George T. Daly will not go on the ballot as City Council candidates. The weeding out process cut their signatures to less than 5,000. That leaves eighteen Council candidates to go on the ballot.

George A. O. Ernest of the original Finance Commission is out in a letter saying that some of Fitzgerald's statements are untrue.

Tom Grady says that Fitzgerald will not carry Ward 6 by more than 300 votes.

Ex-Representative Joseph J. Leonard, who has been in charge of the work of registration at the Storrow headquarters, stated this afternoon that 85 per cent. of the total of supplementary registration—4,457 having been added—is due to the work of the Storrow campaign committee.

$1,625 FOR HELP AT WOLF STORE

There will be a Merry Christmas at the establishment of "My Clothier," at Hanover and Portland streets to-morrow, when Bernard M. Wolf will distribute $1,625 among the employes who have been in his service for two years or more. He will do this in recognition of faithful, efficient service in his behalf, and as an incentive for employes to strive still harder to advance the prosperity and poularity of this big clothing house.

Mr. Wolf says that any business house becomes stronger from having the services of employes who have been with it a long time and are anxious for its success. He seeks to impart the co-operative spirit to his staff, and takes the lead himself.

In addition to the gifts to his employes Mr. Wolf has mailed checks in sums varying from $5 to $25 to the amount of $375, to the following charities:

Carney Hospital, St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, Free Home for Consumptives, Home for Destitute Catholic Children, Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, Little Sisters of the Poor, Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, Boston Floating Hospital, Boston Home for Incurables, Boston Institute Sea Shore Home, Boston Nursery for Blind Babies, Children's Mission to the Children of the Destitute, Hunt Asylum for Destitute Children, Charlestown, Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children, Infants Hospital, New England Peabody Home for Crippled Children (Hyde Park), Martin Luther Orphan Home, United Hebrew Benevolent Society, Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish Children, Society for Relief of Consumption, Mt. Sinai Hospital, North End Ladies' Aid Society, South End Ladies' Aid Society and East Boston Ladies' Aid Society.

TEST WRITING IN WILL CASE

In the Russell will hearing to-day before Judge Lawton in the Middlesex County Probate Court Dr. Albert E. Booth of Minneapolis, Minn., medical examiner for the Woodmen of the World, testified that while he remembered seeing Daniel Blake Russell sign the application, he had no recollection of having filled in the answers, although he swore that he had done so.

He denied that any erasures had been made on the application which was of the date January 1, 1901. Attorney Simpson grilled him for an hour and a half as to why he had written "three died in infancy; they were twins," as an answer to one of the questions in the application.

The doctor said that he had written the application which has been pronounced as a partial forgery by Dr. Albert Hamilton, the government handwriting expert, and by William E. Hingston, another authority.

These witnesses have said that parts of the application were forged and that they were written with different inks.

Dr. Booth was made to write out the answers to each of the questions in the application on a different piece of paper. His attention was called to the fact that this time he made none of the "3s" as he had written them in 1901. He failed to account for the change.

The case was adjourned until Monday next.

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MELLEN SAYS FITZ IS WRONG

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald claims credit for the creation of the Finance Commission. Former Senator James J. Mellen of Charlestown says that Fitzgerald asked him and other members of the State Senate of 1907 to kill the bill which created the Commission. He also says that Fitzgerald, when he was Mayor, asked him to procure for him the Democratic nomination for United States Senator, and that after Mellen and Representative Michael Coyle of Brighton had "fixed it up," Fitzgerald declined the honor in a twenty-minute speech.

Here is what Mellen handed out at the Roughan Hall rally last night.

"John F. Fitzgerald says that he must be thanked for the work of the Finance Commission. I charge now that Mr. Fitzgerald, when he was Mayor, asked me, Senator John J. Gartland and other members of the Legislature to help kill the Finance Commission bill which he himself had introduced."

LAID UP 3 MONTHS WITH AN ULCER

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"My case was a very bad ulcer sore on my ankle and I was laid up three months with it. I was reading an advertisement in the newspaper one day about the Cuticura Remedies so I purchased a cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment and a large bottle of Cuticura Resolvent. After using one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment my ulcer was healed, by washing twice a day with the Soap and using the other remedies as directed. Before I used the Cuticura Remedies my sore was getting worse all the time under other treatments. Furthermore we have a baby boy here and we have found that Cuticura Soap has been a fine thing for him. He had scurf on his head and we tried every way to remove it but failed until we used the Cuticura Soap which removed it almost at once. George M. Hall, Brushton, N. Y., Dec. 24, 1908."

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And Itching Scalp with Cuticura.

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Drives out blood poison in any stage permanently, without deadly mercury, or iodide of potash, but with purely vegetable, safe ingredients. To prove it we will send you a

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Is now easily done through our method. Simple home-treatment. Correspondence confidential. Addr. E. Fortin, Chicago, Ill. Dickey Bldg. R. 41

Double Legal Stamps will be given with every purchase mornings, until 12 o'clock noon, at Wolf's, "My Clothier," corner Hanover and Portland streets. Single stamps thereafter.

WHO IS TO BLAME. Women as well as men are made miserable by kidney and bladder trouble. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, promptly relieves. At druggists in fifty cent and dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it.

Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Society Leaders Hustle Tardy Shopping for Xmas

By ELIZABETH ELLIOTT.

There is nothing in society to-day to divide interest with the Christmas shopping and the hustle and bustle of preparation for this greatest of days. Hustling off to country homes, the fashionables leave the city quite as hopelessly deserted as in the midst of Summer, for they have long since learned that the country is the place of all places to best enjoy the Yuletide.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lassell and their family, who have taken the Charles Mason house on Exeter street for the Winter, are to spend the holiday at their country place, "Oakhurst," Whitinsville, where they are to entertain a large house party.

After Christmas the Lassells are to go to Washington for a dance at the White House and several other festivities.

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Mrs. Harry Pratt McKean, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw, for several weeks, has gone to her country place, "Pine Run Farm," Penllyn, Pa., to spend the holidays. On Tuesday of the coming week Mrs. McKean is to give a dinner dance at the Bellevue-Stratford, in Philadelphia, for her two young sons, Quincy A. Shaw McKean and H. P. McKean, Jr. Mrs. McKean's sister, Mrs. L. Cartaret Peune, is at Lakewood for the holidays.

Mrs. Horatio Nelson Slater went out to Webster yesterday, where the extensive Slater mills are located, to play Santa Claus to the 2,000 children of the employes of the mills. Mrs. Slater, who is known as one of the most philanthropic matrons of her exclusive set, is never so happy as when making others happy. She is to have an entertainment for the employes and among the parents has distributed 1,000 turkeys.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. Jefferson Coolidge, Jr., and their children are at the Coolidge country home at Coolidge Point, Manchester, for the holidays.

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Among the prominent holiday hostesses Mrs. George R. Fearing, Jr., holds first place. Mrs. Fearing, who is always looked upon as a leader in her smart set, is one of the most delightful of Boston's younger smart-set matrons, and her hospitalities have long been looked upon as among the most delightful.

As Hester Cochrane she was a belle and beauty of no little note, and even in her earliest girlhood days was looked up to for original ideas in entertaining. Mrs. Fearing will give several luncheons and dinners during the Christmas season.

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This evening President and Mrs. Abbott Lawrence Lowell are giving a reception at their home for all the Harvard students who are to be in town over the holidays. President and Mrs. Richard MacLauren are giving a similar reception for the young men of the Institute of Technology. Both these receptions are as simple and homelike as possible, that they may more nearly take the place of the "Christmas at home," which the young men must forego, because their homes are so far away.

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Among the families that have planned to come into town this week are Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Thayer and family, who are to have the residence of Mrs. J. Montgomery Sears this Winter during her absence in Europe.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Hunnewell have decided that they will spend the holidays in their town house here. They have been staying late at their suburban home in Wellesley.

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Professor and Mrs. Raphael Pumpelly are entertaining their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. Welles Pumpelly, at their villa on Gibbs avenue, in Newport, where they are spending the Winter. Mr. and Mrs. Pumpelly will remain with them throughout the holiday season.

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Robert Bacon, who is well known here, has left New York for the post of Ambassador to France. He is sailing on the Mauretania.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Russell of Winchester announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helen Russell, to Wilbur A. Claflin, formerly of Cambridge.

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Mrs. Charles A. Munn has closed her country home at Manchester and has gone to Washington for the Winter.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Burgess were among the passengers booked to sail for Bermuda on the Orotava.

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Mrs. B. P. Cheney (Julia Arthur), who has recently returned from the Pacific coast with Mr. Cheney, is in town for the Christmas festivities.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stuart Eldredge and their daughters, the Misses Anna and Margaret Eldredge, have recently moved into town and make a most welcome addition to social circles here. The Misses Eldredge are among the season's debutantes and are very popular.

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Friends of Miss Blanche M. Oelrichs, who were with her during the Summer at Newport, will be interested to know the date of her marriage to Leonard M. Thomas, which is January 26. The wedding will be at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Oelrichs of Park avenue, New York City.

The reception which will follow the ceremony will be a small one. The young girl's engagement was announced this Summer.

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The children of the smart set here are to be entertained in a novel way on the 4th of the month by the two popular Vincent Club girls, Miss Elizabeth Porter and Miss Bertha Wesselhoeft Swift, for these resourceful and talented young women have conceived the idea of a "holiday matinee," which they are to give at the Tuilleries at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The program will consist of stories, which will be told by Miss Porter, and a selection of songs for children, which Miss Swift has arranged for the occasion.

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The date for the first of the Cinderella dances is January 4, and the younger members of society are anticipating them with marked interest. The second dance will be held on the 8th of February, and will be managed, as the first will be, by Benjamin Joy, who succeeds LeBaron Russell.

The patronesses for these popular affairs are Mrs. Oliver Ames, 2d, Mrs. Gordon Abbott, Mrs. Rudolph Agassiz, Mrs. John T. Linzee, Mrs. Richard D. Sears, Mrs. Boylston A. Beal and Mrs. Edward Brandegee.

GOOD SKATING ON EIGHT PARK PONDS

The condition of the ice on the park ponds in Boston to-day is reported as follows:

Randolph Street Brook, Ward 17—Rough.
Columbus Avenue—Poor.
Strandway—Good.
Claremont Park—Good.
First Street—Good.
Savin Hill—Good.
Gibson Street—Good.
Ashmont—Good.
Neponset—Good.
Billings Field—Good.
Scarboro Pond—Dangerous.
Franklin Field—No skating.

NEWEST, STRANGEST FOODS—How the sea's depths are being searched for unknown fishes will be told in the Sunday American.

J. H. DOODY DEAD.

The many friends of James H. Doody of the Meeting House Hill district, Dorchester, will be grieved to learn of his sudden death. Mr. Doody was ill but ten days, failing to rally after an operation. For over twenty years Mr. Doody was foreman of the Field's Corner station of the Boston Elevated Railway.

MAID RECEIVED $100 SUNBURST AS CHRISTMAS GIFT

Mrs. Walter A. Smith,

One of the happiest women in Boston to-day is Mrs. Walter A. Smith of Newborn street, Roxbury. She is the pretty dark eyed maid who takes care of Mrs. Larz Anderson's box at the Boston Opera House. Mrs. Anderson has presented her maid with a very beautiful ruby sunburst with at least seventy-five small rubies in it. It was brought to this country by Mr. and Mrs. Anderson from Bohemia. It is worth $100.

"I am so pleased with it that I can't help showing it to every one," said Mrs. Smith, "and it was such a surprise that I haven't got over it yet. Wasn't Mrs. Anderson kind to think of me, why, can't you see how happy I am?"

When asked if she expected to get any Christmas presents at the Opera House, she replied, "Why, no, Mr. Anderson came to the opera the other evening alone, and just before entering the box called to me and pressed something into my hand saying it was a gift that Mrs. Anderson wanted to give me, also that they both wished me a very merry Christmas.

"At that time I didn't think anything of it, but as soon as I got a chance I opened the little package, and there, to my surprise, was this beautiful sunburst of rubies.

"Both my husband and myself thank Mrs. Anderson a thousand times for her remembrance. I shall always keep it to remember her by."

Mrs. Smith lives in a modest little flat a short distance from the Opera House. She has been in charge of the Anderson box and fifteen others since the opening of the house.

Tonight's Opera

LA GIOCONDA.

In Italian; opera in four acts, by Ponchielli

La Gioconda	Celestina Boninsegna
Laura	Maria Claessens
La Cieca	Elvira Leveroni
Enzo	Florencio Constantino
Barnaba	George Baklanoff
Alviso	Giusto Nivette
Zoane	Attilio Pulcini
Isepo	Roberto Vanni

Grand Corps de Ballet.

Musical Director	Arnaldo Conti
Regisseur General	Delfino Menotti

"La Gioconda" is given at the Opera House this evening. This beautiful opera has not been performed for nearly a month and will undoubtedly draw a great audience. The title role is assumed by Celestina Boninsegna, Laura is Claessens, La Cieca is Elvira Leveroni, and Constantino, Baklanoff and Nivette are in the cast. The performance commences at 7:45.

"La Gioconda" tells the story of a street singer of Venice in the days of the Doges. La Gioconda loves Enzo but sacrifices herself to unite him with Laura whom he loves. Then to avoid keeping a promise to Barnaba, the spy of the Inquisition, she kills herself.

Social Notes

President and Mrs. Richard C. Maclaurin of Technology will hold open house this evening at the annual entertainment to the students of the college. Over 400 students who are not to return home for Christmas will attend, together with the seven co-eds at the institute. Mrs. William Barton Rogers, founder of the institute, will be the guest of honor.

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Eighteen poor children from the West End of Boston were entertained with a Christmas tree and turkey dinner by the pupils of the fifth grade at the Franklin school, of which Miss Isabel L. Atwood is teacher, this afternoon.

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The annual Christmas tree festivities at the Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children, No. 241 St. Botolph street, were held yesterday afternoon and gifts distributed among 110 pupils. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. S. Reed Anthony, Mrs. C. S. Houghton, Mrs. C. E. Cotting and Mrs. H. G. O. Colby. Mrs. Prescott Bigelow and Mrs. Frederick Thayer assisted.

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Through the thoughtfulness of Department Commander Richard R. Flynn of the Massachusetts Division of the Spanish War Veterans a wealth of Christmas cheer will be bestowed upon the twenty-eight veterans of the war of '98 now inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea.

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It was "Newspaper and Literary Night" at the Boston City Club last evening. The entertainers were Sam Walter Foss, James C. White, Hal Coffman, Denis A. McCarthy, Joe Cone and Nixon Waterman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ezra H. Dexter of No. 45 Bloomingdale street observed the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding last night at their home.

TWO NEW STARS HEARD IN 'AIDA' WELL RECEIVED

"AIDA."

In Italian: Opera in Four Acts by Verdi.

Aida	Emma Hoffmann
Amneris	Maria Claessens
Una Sacerdotessa	Bettina Freeman
Radames	Francis Archambault
Amonasro	Cesare Formichi
Ramfis	Jose Mardones
Un Messaggiero	Ernesto Giacconne

Grand Corps de Ballet.

Musical Director	Arnaldo Conti
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By FREDERICK JOHNS.

A new Aida and a new Amonasro were introduced at the Boston Opera House last night and were taken at once to the hearts of opera goers. Emma Hoffman and Cesare Formichi are the latest additions to the ranks of the local company.

Hoffman is a Chicago young woman who has been singing in Italy. She is attractive and inclined to stoutness with a deep chest which houses a big voice. She sings freely and flexibly, her lower and middle registers are pleasing to the ear. Her high voice has a most remarkable penetrating power and though narrow, is tremendously big. Above the orchestra, chorus and other principals in the great climax of the second act, her tones rang like a silver trumpet.

The notes are not forced but seem to flow in a current which at times is beyond her control. She has dramatic power and a wealth of tender feeling and on the whole, is a splendid Aida.

Formichi was to have appeared a week ago in "Trovatore" and again on Monday in the same opera, but illness prevented. Last night he made a most impressive Amonasro. He has a magnificent stage presence and in his Ethiopian makeup, was awe inspiring.

His voice is also big but well controlled and artistically managed. It does not vibrate and is used with discretion. Its quality is sympathetic and its range is wide. He is an actor of parts as he demonstrated in the third act.

Cartica was again heard as Radames and seemed to be adequate. The chorus sang excellently and Conti led with vigor and discretion.

HAVE BEAUTIFUL FEET—Mme. Cavalieri will tell you how in the Sunday American. Both men and women should read this.

2 NOTED DRAMATIC FAVORITES ARE ILL

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Mlle. Rita Sacchetto, who appeared at the New Theatre for the second time yesterday afternoon, fainted at the close of one of her dramatic dances and had to be carried to her dressing room. The presence of Bernice de Pasquali in the cast of Donizetti's opera bouffe, "Don Pasquale," was explained by the announcement that Alice Nielsen, who was to have sung the part of Norina, was seriously ill with a cold.

POPE RECEIVES THE CARDINALS

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Pope gave an audience yesterday to the members of the sacred college of Cardinals. Cardinal Vanutelli, the sub-dean, presented the Christmas and New Year's greetings of the Cardinals.

The Pope was well and very cheerful. He talked for half an hour, mainly on the codification of the canon law and Cardinal Satolli's condition. He said the work of codifying the laws would probably be completed in two years. Many governments, the Pontiff said, were interested in this work. While it was going on the opinions of bishops throughout the world would be requested on various points.

EXTRA TIME FOR FIREMEN

Commencing Monday, the firemen of Boston will be granted fifteen minutes additional for each meal hour. They will then have three periods of one hour and fifteen minutes each or two periods of two hours each.

An order providing for the additional time was introduced in the City Council by Alderman Giblin some time ago. It was passed by both branches. When it reached Mayor Hibbard he vetoed it. Since then the order has been passed over his veto by both branches by practically unanimous votes. To-day Mayor Hibbard notified Fire Commissioner Parker of the change.

REPORT 2,000 LOST IN GALE

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—News was brought by the steamship Empress of India, which reached port from the Orient, that a tremendous loss of life was occasioned off Korea and Japan by severe gales shortly before the liner sailed.

About 620 Korean fishing vessels were wrecked off Ginpo, South Humyong, while in northeastern Korea more than half the fleet of fishing craft was lost. It was estimated that the loss of life would exceed 2,000.

The Dutch cruiser Noord Brabant, which had returned to Yokohama from San Francisco, encountered a hurricane en route and had her mainmast broken, her wireless apparatus being disabled in consequence. She was several days overdue in arrival.

A Merry Christmas To You

WOLF'S
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EVENING TRIO BUSINESS EXCHANGE

The following advertisements appear in the Saturday edition of the New York Evening Journal, Boston Evening American and Chicago Evening American, and have a circulation of over a million and a quarter. If you have anything to sell or exchange, this is the place to make it known.

Rate—$1.00 per agate line (count six words to a line).

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AGENTS.

SALESMAN WANTED—On commission or $100 per month with expenses, as per contract. Experience unnecessary. Premier Cigar Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

AGENTS WANTED—Our line of best sellers can't be beaten. No-Sew Hooks and Eyes sell on sight. Biggest profits; circulars free. Address RALPH RHINES, Kenyon, Minn.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

LADIES—Make dress shields at home; good pay; material furnished; stamped envelope particulars. Mutual Supply House, Dept. F 96, Chicago.

PATENTS.

OUR HAND BOOK for Inventors tells you what you want to know about Patents: how to obtain them and the cost; mailed free on request. Beeler & Robb, Patent Lawyers, 135-138 McGill Bldg., Washington, D. C. Trade-marks registered.

Patents *Worth* Fortunes

Inventors, send 6 cents for our Three Valuable Patent Books. R. S. & A. B. LACEY, Dept. 66, Washington, D. C. Est. 1869.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ROYAL POWDERS, TALCUM, TOOTH, FOOT, ROYAL SHAVING STICKS—Nothing nicer. Just try them. Ten-Cent and other stores.

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A New Home Cure That Anyone Can Use Without Operation, Pain, Danger or Loss of Time.

I have a new Method that cures rupture and I want you to use it at my expense. I am not trying to sell you a Truss, but offer you a cure that stays cured and ends all truss-wearing and danger of strangulation forever.

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This means better health, increased physical ability and longer life. My free offer is too important to neglect a single day. Write now and begin your cure at once. Send no money. Simply mail coupon below. Do it to-day.

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Time Ruptured
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Cause of Rupture
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Name..............................
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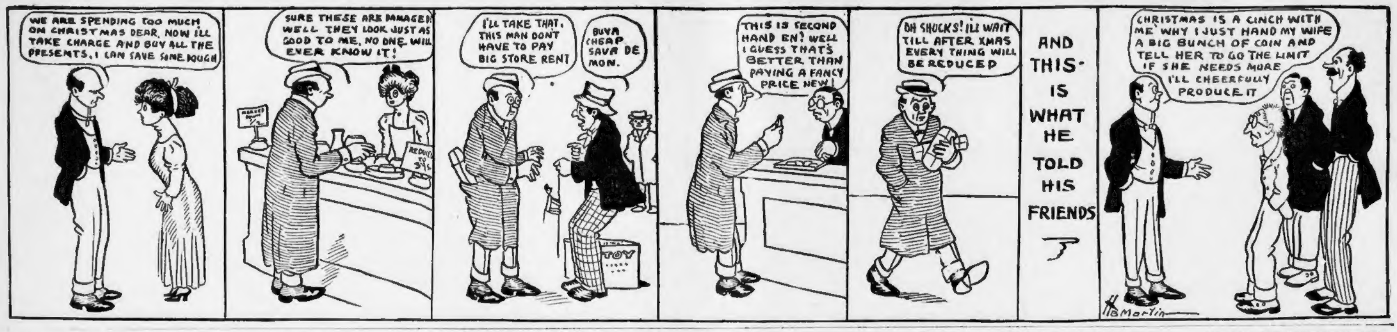
WE ARE SPENDING TOO MUCH ON CHRISTMAS DEAR, NOW I'LL TAKE CHARGE AND BUY ALL THE PRESENTS, I CAN SAVE SOME DOUGH
SURE THESE ARE DAMAGED! WELL THEY LOOK JUST AS GOOD TO ME, NO ONE WILL EVER KNOW IT!
REDUCED TO $.96
I'LL TAKE THAT. THIS MAN DON'T HAVE TO PAY BIG STORE RENT
BUYA CHEAP SAVA DE MON.
TOY
THIS IS SECOND HAND EN? WELL I GUESS THAT'S BETTER THAN PAYING A FANCY PRICE NEW!
OH SHUCKS! I'LL WAIT TILL AFTER XMAS EVERY THING WILL BE REDUCED
AND THIS IS WHAT HE TOLD HIS FRIENDS
CHRISTMAS IS A CINCH WITH ME WHY I JUST HAND MY WIFE A BIG BUNCH OF COIN AND TELL HER TO GO THE LIMIT IF SHE NEEDS MORE I'LL CHEERFULLY PRODUCE IT
H B Martin

WORLD'S SERIES SURE TO BE PLAYED IN SPITE OF LONGER SCHEDULE

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—President Herrmann of the Reds and chairman of the National Commission, asserts that there will be a championship series even if the National League decides to play out a schedule of 168 games.

The stories emanating from the East that the lateness of the closing of the National League schedule might make it impossible to play a world's series has caused Garry to come out strong in denying that there will be any chance of abandoning the greatest of all competitions between the two big leagues to decide the blue ribbon team in the baseball world.

"We are going to play that championship series if we have to do it wading around in sleet and snow."

"Nothing will be allowed to interfere with the usual world's championship series of games next fall, not even the desire to experiment with a schedule comprising 168 games."

"We have learned that the intense and [illegible] interest in baseball is largely stim- [illegible] these post-season games, and [illegible] it would be retrogression to do [illegible] t would prevent their being [illegible] fact that the National League [illegible] schedule committee to draw up [illegible] r 168 games does not mean tha. [illegible] 's settled. Alt the schedule com. [illegible] 's to submit its report. If the l [illegible] o thinks it unwise to follow t. [illegible] suggestions it does not have [illegible]

"Personally I don't think [illegible] the 168-game schedule will interfere with the world's championship. And this I believe in, remembering that the American League will play 154 games. Their schedule can be so arranged that their season will close about the same time ours does. This will leave long enough period to prepare and no time to waste between the regular season and the opening of the world's championship games.

"However, it is still uncertain if we are to play 168 games. That will all be settled when the committee makes its report. But we are going to consider the world's championship in our general survey of the schedule."

NATIONAL BALL PLAYERS MAY GO ON STRIKE

There is a lot of grumbling all up and down the line among the players in the National League over the extension of the playing season to 168 games, and a Chicago paper comes out with the statement that the feeling is becoming so strong that there may be a general strike by the dissatisfied diamond warriors before another campaign rolls around.

The players believe that they are being imposed upon by the magnates by demanding that the schedule be lengthened and are naturally sore at the attitude of the owners of the clubs.

The firebrand of war is only smouldering and needs but the touch of a match by some strenuous individual to set it in full blaze that the league may feel the power of the men who do the work when they amalgamate.

If the pay checks were boosted proportionally there would not be so much dissatisfaction among the players, but this is not to be in spite of the extra games to be played.

MAJOR TEAMS RELEASE PLAYERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The following releases have been approved by the National League:

By Boston—Alfred Shaw, unconditionally, to Sioux City (W. L.); Fred B. Stem.

By Cincinnati—To Fort Wayne, Pearl Stanley and Carl Manon; to Memphis (S. L.), James A. LaFitte; to Buffalo (E. L.), C. K. Carmichael and John Dubuc.

By Brooklyn—To Mobile (S. L.), Joseph E. Dunn and George E. Bittroff; to Milwaukee (A. A.), Wilbur Schardt; to Chattanooga (S. L.), Forbes Alcock and Fred Miller; to New Haven (C. L.), Andrew Herbst and George Sherwood.

Philadelphia Fighter Sails for Paris Jan. 11.

HARRY LEWIS CLAIMS WELTER TITLE

Harry Lewis, the Philadelphia fighter, is claiming the welterweight championship of the world right now and will sail for Paris, France, on January 11 with the title, he says. There's a reason. Ask Al Lippe and he can prove a clear case for Lewis.

"Let some of these welterweights make 142 pounds at 3 o'clock for Harry and see how quickly we will snap them up," is the way the clever manager of the Quaker City star puts it. "Time and again Lewis has offered to fight and to bet on himself, but there never has been any response."

Clabby Loses Go.

Not a great while back Lippe was advised in a wire that Jimmy Clabby, the Milwaukee welterweight, had a forfeit of $500 posted in support of a challenge that his manager, Frank Mulkern, had issued to the welterweights of the world, Lewis or Gardner preferred. Lippe has just written a long letter in response to that. In it he says this is the first information he has received of the forfeit and challenge, and but for the trip to France they have on he would have accepted it immediately.

"Lewis is open to meet any welterweight in the world at 141 pounds at 3 o'clock or its equivalent," Lippe writes, "and after we return from abroad it will be a case of first come first served."

Lippe in his letter confirms the report that Jimmy Gardner has now grown into a full-fledged middleweight, and has refused repeatedly to make any sort of weight for any of the smaller men.

"Clabby was offered a match with Lewis at the West Side Club of New Orleans, and also a match at Memphis, and while I accepted both of them, I never heard further of them," Lippe continues. "From this I got the impression that Clabby did not care for Lewis's game.

To Box Willie Lewis.

"Harry boxes Willie Lewis in Paris on January 27, and the club people have advised me that they have signed up Billy Papke to box the winner at 158 pounds four hours before the scrap.

"It is our idea that Harry will beat Willie without much trouble. Of course Harry will be giving away a lot of weight to Papke, but for the money that is involved we are willing to take that chance. Harry is a game boy—one of the very gamest and about the most willing young fighter that I ever had dealings with—and feels that even any of the middleweights have little or nothing on him.

"I feel the same way about it, although I am unwilling to make a practice of matching him with big fellows. I know how that becomes—if he fights middleweights then he is a middleweight, and the welters will have nothing to do with him. But inasmuch as there are few welterweights in the business now, and none of them seems to want to fight much, it is perhaps just as well that he is able to get a battle outside of the class once in awhile.

Offers for Gardner.

"Jimmy Gardner has been offered a lot of chances by the Armory Club and the club in New Haven, but has always declined on the ground that he is through making weight for anybody. Mike Sullivan also was offered matches with Lewis, but has turned all of them down. He hasn't forgotten that Denver fight.

"So why shouldn't our claim to the welterweight title be well based?

"Harry is going out to Denver again and on the 7th will battle Howard Smith there. That will give him just time enough to return to New York and catch a steamer on the 11th.

"Abe Attell was not barred in Memphis. Indeed, the club people there tell me he is a strong card and can box there whenever he wants to. He is to meet Frankie Neil there on the 28th. Then he will go to Kansas City for a bout with Tommy Mowatt on the 27th, and on New Year's Day will tackle Young Britt in Savannah, Ga. So he will be pretty busy while I am away. If they offer any inducements for Abe to box Driscoll or Moran on the other side I will accept them at once."

HUESTON STILL POOL CHAMP

Tommy Hueston, the pool champion, had to play to defend his title against Benny Allen of Kansas City in the final string of their match at Murray and Irwin's yesterday, and got away with the contest by only nineteen balls in the last block of 200, pulling down the $500 sidebet.

Allen, who is only twenty-one years old, sprung a big surprise by his mastery over the ivories and got a new world's record of eighty-five for a single run, beating the former mark of seventy-nine held by Grant Ely. The grand uphill fight of the youngster was the feature of the match. At one time he was 124 balls behind, when he pulled it down to ten, but the champion ran the game out, 600 to 581.

WALSH OVERWEIGHT: WINS

QUEBEC, Dec. 24.—A fight between Jimmy Walsh of Boston and Alf Lynch of Quebec, champion of Canada, which took place here to-night before a large audience, had a most unsatisfactory ending.

The battle was to be a ten-round affair, and resulted in a draw, both men being on their feet when time was called. Lynch weighed 113 pounds and Walsh, who refused to weigh in, was put down at 118, although it was said he was 128 pounds.

The first couple of rounds lasted only two minutes instead of three. When this was discovered there was considerable of an uproar in the hall. The next rounds were the regular three minutes time.

Walsh certainly had the best of the fight throughout, and was the favorite, Lynch appearing to be no match for him.

BASEBALL NEWS NOTES

Christy Mathewson of the New Yorks advances the opinion that the Giants need strengthening behind the bat and in left field.

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They are whispering that Heine Zimmerman and Frank Schulte will be among the missing when the Cubs take to the field in the Spring.

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Bill Clancy is looked upon in Baltimore as the greatest first baseman ever corralled for the Oriole aviary. Tim Jordan is forgotten.

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There will be plenty of dope for the fans to discuss within the next few weeks; already there are trades and rumors of trades floating around.

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Johnny McGraw says that he is glad to get Bugs Raymond off his hands. The "Little Napoleon" declares that, if he cannot handle Bugs nobody can.

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Manager McGraw of the New Yorks, denies that he has asked waivers on Rube Marquard and Chief Myers. However, he does not say that these men are not on the market

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Jack Stivetts, the former Boston pitcher, now is doing odd jobs at carpentering at York, Pa. For a long time he was employed as a driver of a brewed "suds" chariot by a prominent brewery.

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Rochester and Brooklyn have a sort of community of interests. Several Rochester players were at the meeting to beseech Manager John Ganzel not to farm them out to Brooklyn.

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Frank Farrell has the making of a ball club this year, for he has a great catcher. Needless to tell the fan what a chap like Criger can do for pitchers. There does not seem any mortal excuse for Stallings to be out of first division. He will have fine quarters and a good ball ground at Athens for training purposes.

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What would McGraw give to be in Fred Clarke's situation as to first basemen! The Pirates only have three, among them Jack Flynn, Bud Sharp, Abstein and Tarelton. Flynn is touted as a phenomenon. With St. Paul last season Flynn hit .265 and fielded .974. In 425 times at bat he made 61 runs, 120 safe hits, 26 two-baggers, 3 triple, 4 homers, 11 sacrifices and stole 29 bases. He must be there, but how about Bud Sharp, hero of Newark? If we know anything about that fellow, he is not the kind to hold down a bench job. What's Clarke going to do with this bunch of talent? Well, for one thing, he'll probably get a swell pitcher.

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Old-timers are hustling now to send in a story on Tom Lynch. If you cannot spring at least one, you're a bonehead. Latest is that Lynch, besides conducting the game in a dignified fashion, was ready to scrap if necessary. Fred Carroll, a husky Pittsburg catcher, was backstopping in a lively contest with Detroit. He applied a vile epithet, one so vile that it made a person's cheeks burn with shame. After Lynch's cheeks had cooled four and one-half degrees, he leaned over toward the brutal catcher, and in his ears hissed these words: "I won't hit you here; I want to see you after the game; then I'll make you eat what you said." The truthful chronicler of this narrative does not mention the nature of the epithet, but it must have been something entirely strange to the big league bill of fare, because Carroll sidestepped the engagement. He was not hungry. And at that time Carroll weighed 200 pounds, was a terror with his dukes, while Tom Lynch weighed only 160 and was well-mannered as a matinee idol on the stage.

BOXING NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight fighter, is reported to be nearing the end of his bank roll, and he will shortly start East.

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Teddy Murphy, the original boy manager, is hot on the trail of Jack O'Brien with Montana Sullivan. Also Ketchel, says Ted.

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Jeff is plugging away and saying nothing. Wonder why they picked lumbago? It might have been mumps.

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Bill Papke should make a big hit when he makes his debut in a Paris prize ring. He is a fine looking fellow, statuesque and about the busiest fighting man in the game. He tears in all the time, and when he meets the winner of the Lewis-Lewis scrap, the Frenchmen will open their eyes in amazement.

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Willie Lewis is certainly doing some swell milling on the other side of the pond. He isn't winning over world-beaters, of course, but he's taking them all sizes from the welters to the heavies and trimming them to the queen's taste. He has beaten Jewey Smith, the big fellow Tommy Burns defeated, Jeff Thorne, who fought Fitzsimmons and Saturday night Willie beat Sid Russell, the Australian heavy, who had just gone the limit with Joe Jeanette a week or so before.

You have to hand it to Willie. They call him a quitter and a chicken-hearted slapper, but he's copping all the while. He isn't sitting home writing letters about the faults of the other fighters, either. He's over there grabbing both money and glory.

TROPHIES TO BE A FEATURE OF AUTO SHOW

By J. C. KERRISON.

One of the particularly interesting exhibits in connection with that of the Importers' Automobile Salon in Grand Central Palace during the first week in January will be that of cups and trophies. There is hardly an agent for a foreign car who has not one or two of these, while several are the owners of many trophies run in competition of national character. For instance, E. R. Hollander will have on exhibition at the Fiat space the handsome trophy won in Atlanta in November by Louis Strang in the 200 horsepower Fiat racing car. This will be the first show at which the cup has been on exhibition, and it will be there along with several other famous trophies captured in Fiat cars. At the Lancia space will be seen the light car trophy won in Savannah by William Hilliard in the Lancia Lampo, and the chances are that both car and driver will be there, too.

Harry Fosdick, the well known Lancia importer, is working to this end, and as Harry usually gets what he starts after the chances are that the combination will be on hand. At the Isotta, Hotchkiss, De Dion and Renault booths will be seen a number of famous trophies, the latter showing among theirs the trophy won in the first continuous twenty-four-hour race ever held in this country. At the other spaces—those at which will be shown Panhard, Delaware, Delaunay Bellville, Clement Bayard and C. G. V. cars—there will also be shown famous trophies, the combined value of which would figure up a small fortune, which, added to the half million dollar exhibit of the Salon, makes a total valuation of its combined exhibit rather large.

That the importers are going into the show this year in earnest is an undeniable truth. For several months they have been preparing for it; they have imported models which they will show along with their stock models, and are sparing no expense to make their exhibit the feature of the show. They have, of course, the racing cars to show. That fact, too, is undeniable. Then, too, they have truly wonderful creations in car appointments, and in all truth it must be said that they have, to use a slang phrase, "the goods."

These the Salon intend to show this year as they never have been shown, and the exhibit as a whole will be one of the best ever seen. The cars of the importers will make, in fact, a pretty complete automobile show in itself. The very latest creations of the leading automobile manufacturers of Europe—which means, of course, of the world—will be seen. That European manufacturers lead the world in the automobile industry is a rather generally acknowledged fact, and at the Grand Central Palace Show there will be seen the very latest European models—which means the most elaborate, complete and highest class cars in the world.

GALWAY WINS BOWLING MATCH

In a special bowling match for $400 a side at the Boston alleys between Galway and Poehler, the crack bowlers of Boston, Galway last night won the second string and the match. The scores:

Galway—89, 94, 88, 90, 110, 108, 103, 105, 111, 117. Total, 1,015.
Poehler—92, 89, 97, 100, 91, 99, 92, 86, 87, 126. Total, 959.

BOB EMMONS IS BUILDING FAST RACING YACHT

Bob Emmons, the old Harvard football captain, who is an ardent yachtsman, is having a new racing craft built by the Herreshoffs to compete in the big events next season.

With the Avenger, Mr. Emmins made the bit of his life in the racing line, but he expects to reap greater honors with his new boat.

Last Summer, after selling the crack Avenger, Mr. Emmons became one of the crew of the sonderklasse yacht Ellen, and his new model will be eligible for this type and may compete for international honors.

"Bob" Emmons is a banker, and treasurer of the Lawrence Gas Company. He was a member of Cumnock's Harvard team which beat Yale in 1901, and captained the Crimson in '93, when, however, Yale won a close match, 6 to 0. Emmons' team beat Penn, 26 to 4 in the last big game played on old Jarvis Field.

JIMMY NEARY TO TRAIN DOVES AGAIN

Jimmy Neary, the popular trainer of the Boston Nationals, has been re-engaged by the management of the team to handle the team during the next season in the same capacity.

Neary, who is one of the fastest professional sprinters in the vicinity of Boston when in his prime, has an idea to work out in the way of increasing the speed of the Doves as a whole, which as yet he has for various reasons been unable to give a fair trial.

HOW A FAMOUS ARTIST GOT HIS TYPES—James Montgomery Flagg will tell it in the Sunday American.

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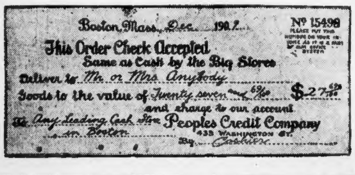

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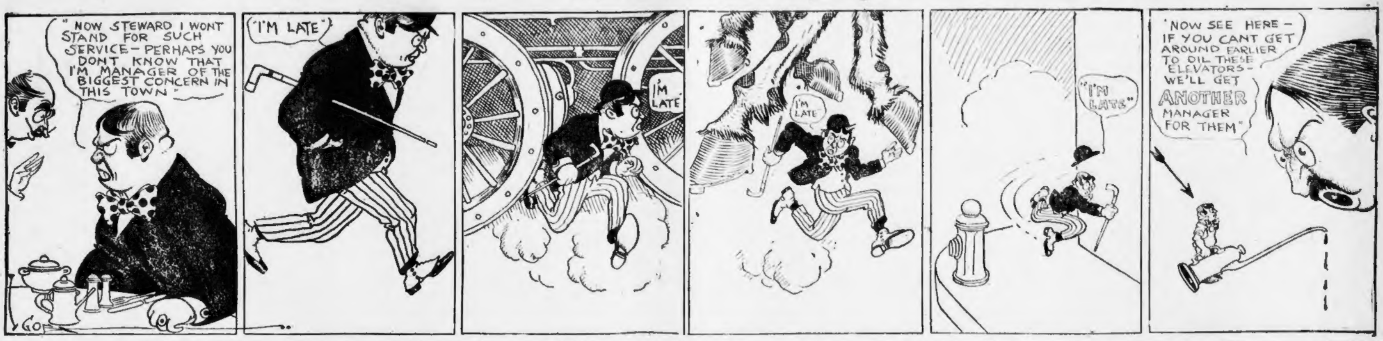
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DE ORO AFTER CUE PUSHERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Alfredo De Oro, **world's** three-cushion billiard champion, **angry** at the published threats of Willie **Hoppe** and other balk-line players to enter **the** around-the-table field and wrest his **title** from him, yesterday issued a sweeping challenge to the whole outfit of professional balk-line players. He will match **himself** for $2,000 a side at any number **of** points and under any conditions the **taker** of the challenge may care to name. **In** addition to Hoppe the defi is directed **at** Cline, Demarest, Sutton, Slosson, Cutler and Morningstar.

Hoppe was acquainted with the De Oro **proposition** and brushed it aside; Morning**star** did the same.

"While I might beat De Oro at three-**cushions**," said Hoppe, "I have other fish **on** the fire. I am after the 18.1 and 18.2 **balk**-line titles. No man can play both **games** and play them at top form. The **strokes** are entirely different and practice **for** one puts a player entirely out of shape **for** the other."

BASEBALL MAGAZINE FULL OF GOOD STUFF

The Baseball Magazine for January is **well** calculated to interest all who are fond **of** the great national sport. Prominent among the contributors is Josepa McElroy Mann, the discoverer of the curve delivery at Princeton College in the seventies. Mr. Mann's article will be read with much interest, especially by college men.

William Osborne writes of Secretary John H. Farrell of the National Association of Baseball Leagues, whom he terms the Harriman of baseball. Hugh Fullerton, the well-known Chicago writer, takes "Psychology in Baseball" as his topic. There are many other interesting articles.

FUNNIEST JOKES EVER—See the comic supplement of the Sunday American. It is the acknowledged leader.

AD WOLGAST POSTS FORFEIT FOR BAT

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Ad Wolgast and **Battling** Nelson are close to a match, if **surface** indications go for anything. Wol**gast** recently expressed a strong desire to swap punches with the Dane, and Nelson last night retorted that he would be ready **for** the scrap any time that the right inducements were offered. Wolgast, who is **at** present in Los Angeles, posted a forfeit **of** $1,000. Nelson, when told of this, said **he** would try to make arrangements at once to clinch the fight.

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STRAIGHT DOPE

FOR SPORT FANS

THIS HASN'T A THING TO DO WITH sports, but it goes in this column anyway, for I know the bride of a few months, who is the heroine of the following glad Christmas incident:

She was walking along the street, rubbering at the window displays and trying to make up her mind what to purchase as a Yuletide gift to her lord and master. They hadn't been married long enough for her to quit calling him "Mr", so she didn't know his likes and dislikes very well.

A big display of bath robes attracted her attention, and she decided one of those would be the hit of the piece. Going into the store she was directed to the bathrobe department, and made known her wants to the urbane, yet withal dignified salesman who betrayed his Boston birth by saying he would wait on her in "hoff a minute," when it would have been just as easy to have said "half a minute."

At the expiration of about ten "hoff" minutes, he returned and proceeded to show her the bath robes. It was the first time she had tried to purchase anything in the line of masculine apparel, and she was a little flustered, nay even rattled.

"I think that one will do. I'll take it" pointing to an elaborate garment that would have been the envy of Bill McKinnon of Roxbury, in this corner. "But how much is it?"

"This one is twenty-seven and a hoff," replied the salesman.

"Oh, mercy," said the prospective Santa Claus. "I can't pay so much for a bath robe."

"What do you want to put in a bath robe, miss?" politely inquired the clerk.

"Why, my husband, of course, you big stew. Who did you suppose I wanted to put into it?" she flashed back at him, as she threw her head up and marched indignantly out of the store.

The salesman spent "hoff" an hour wondering what had happened.

IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT NO RUDE person will be unkind enough to attribute that Worcester flying machine story to the result of the recent voting on the wet and dry question. By the way McMahon tells me he hasn't been able to discover any flying machine hovering over Salem since the election.

SPEAKING OF THAT FLYING MAchine, a whole lot of us had our old college chum Tillinghast roped, thrown and ready to brand with the Dr. Cook iron,(but it begins to look as if we had better have played him open than coppered. We love our Wilbur Wright, but Oh, you Tillinghast.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE McQuaide of Pittsburg probably slept well last night. He should have slept well, at any rate, after one of our esteemed evening papers indorsed his action in three different spots on the same page yesterday—or was it four spots? The Pittsburg police chief says that hereafter boxing clubs must post the money guaranteed to fighters before the evening of the bout. It probably will relieve his anxious mind to know that Old Good Evening Friends declares that its a good move, then What Steve indorses it, the sporting editor put his brand on it, and then altogether they print the news story. Now that we know its a good thing, push it along, Chief.

RACING APPEARS TO BE LOOKING up a bit in the East. The Saratoga Association has just announced $225,000 in stakes for next season, which is $25,000 more than was offered for the season of 1909. And along with the above comes the report of the New York State Racing Commission showing that the State has lost more than $200,000 by the operation of the anti-race track gambling laws. Before the passage of these laws the State got the revenues of a 5 per cent. tax on the receipts of the association. In 1907, the most prosperous year of the Metropolitan turf, more than $250,000 was paid over to the State under this tax law. That much money would keep even a few pin headed reformers in jobs for quite a while.

I HATE TO PRINT THIS. HONEST, I do, for it's going to make a sad Christmas for a lot of you sports who have been spending your money for newspaper votes in order to get that $1,000 job of refereeing the Jeff-Johnson fight. However, you might as well know the truth at once, and here it is right from the lips of George Little, who speaks for the black champion when the black champion don't care to speak for himself:

> No Eastern man will referee this contest. It will be a man who is known in the West. We want a man who is known in the West and has the confidence of the people. I have no one to suggest. That will be decided later. You would not want a California man to come East to referee a fight would you?

I RECKON THIS WILL BE ABOUT all of that six day bicycle race. I'm going to forget it right now and if I get any more letters about it I'm going to try to catch up with some one. This, I find, after long and patient investigation, is about the straight dope on whether or not the riders kept grinding away during the entire six days. Now get it:

> Straight Dope, Boston American:
> Dear Sir—If my memory does not fail me the riders in the recent six-day race at New York, were called from the saucer part of track while repairs were being made, but were obliged to ride around on the flat portion of track. Think it's worth your while to look this matter up and if I am right would like to see you set yourself right on the matter Mr. Harkiss of Lynn wrote you about.
> Trusting you will get one more giggle on this, for your Merry Xmast. I am, yours respectfully,
> P. J. B.

THIS IS A CASE OF SHOW A LITtle class, prove your claims or go into the Dr. Cook class. Evidently Mr. Crowley means business so get your dope straightened out for him and it looks as if you Berkshire people can get a game:

> Straight Dope, Boston American:
> Dear Friend—On reading over your column in to-night's issue, I notice a note in the form of a challenge from the Berkshire A. C., who are entering a claim for the 120-pound championship of Cambridge, against the Sacred Heart Five, using as a basis for claim that they have defeated teams around Boston who would make us holler for the sponge. As there isn't any record of this Berkshire A. C. ever having won a game of basketball, my most earnest friend Mike Cabans, will do us all a favor by letting the fans know through you some of the teams they claim they have defeated, and when same has been printed the Sacred Heart Five will readily play them for love or money. Yours truly,
> JOHN D. CROWLEY,
> Mgr. Sacred Hearts.
> P. O. Box 5,325, Boston.

> Straight Dope, Boston American:
> To settle a bunch of rummies let us know [illegible] not Charles Waldron, of the New [illegible] Theatre, is any relation to Jim Jeffries.
> **He was** his ex-theatre manager. T. & K.
> Roxbury.

Mr. Waldron is not related to Jeffries according to my information, although he was as you say "his ex-theatre" manager a number of years ago. I hope this will settle you rummies.

> Straight Dope, Boston American:
> I have under my management Spike Lyons weight 122 pounds and I would like to match him with Jimmy Hanlon, Ike McLean or any boy in that class. We will give a side bet and fight public or private. Hoping to see this in your column. I remain,
> R. S. RICHARDSON,
> Manager.
> Richardson House, Lynn, Mass.

I showed this challenge to Bob Wylle, manager of Jimmy Kerrigan, a good little South Boston boy, who can make 122 pounds and who is always looking for a match with a good boy. Probably one of the clubs at Salem or in Boston would stage the bout if you care to have your boy hook up with Kerrigan. A letter addressed to Wylle, care of this office will do the business.

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JEANETTE IS AFTER HO HO SAM

HOBOKEN, Dec. 24.—Joe Jeanette is home again. He arrived from Paris on the steamer Teutonic. Jeannette stated that he was glad to be home again and at his family's side. He says that the fight game is flourishing on the other side and that he expects to land a match with Sam Langford or Stanley Ketchel for some time in February.

"I was robbed in my last fight with Sam McVey," he said. "I had the best of every round and but for the unfairness displayed on the part of the referee I should have received the decision."

NEW NEWTON HIGH TRACK CAPTAIN

William Clancy will captain the Newton high school team this Winter, and Dr. Brown will coach it. The prospects for a strong team are not so bright as a year ago, but Clancy hopes that many new stars will be developed.

Captain Mahoney of the '08 team has entered Brown and is one of the most promising candidates for the track team there. There are enough good shot-putters at Newton, but sprinters are scarce.

ABE ATTELL TO FIGHT TOM MOWATT

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—Abe Attell and Tommy Mowatt of Kansas City will box ten rounds before the Twin Cities' Athletic Club here next Monday night. The match will be at catchweights. Much interest attaches to the bout because Mowatt has been out of the ring for four years and upon his showing in this fight largely depends whether he will re-enter the ring.

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EQUALS POLO RECORD.

TAUNTON, Dec. 24.—New Bedford defeated Taunton, 8 to 7. Pence equalled the league record in making 94 stops, and Lyons, for the fifth time this season, scored a goal from spot.

WINS 10-MILE WALK.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Willard A. Hoagland, the champion heel-and-toe walker of the world, defeated R. H. Hubbell, the champion of Pennsylvania in a ten-mile walk. Time, 1h. 24m. 45s. Hubbell was given a handicap of a quarter of a mile.

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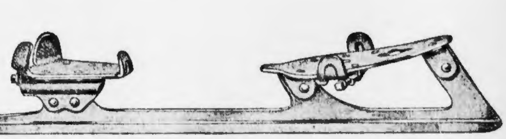
At Fall River—Fall River 11, Providence 6.



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TWO CHRISTMAS DINNERS ☙ ☙ ☙ ☙ ☙ By NELL BRINKLEY

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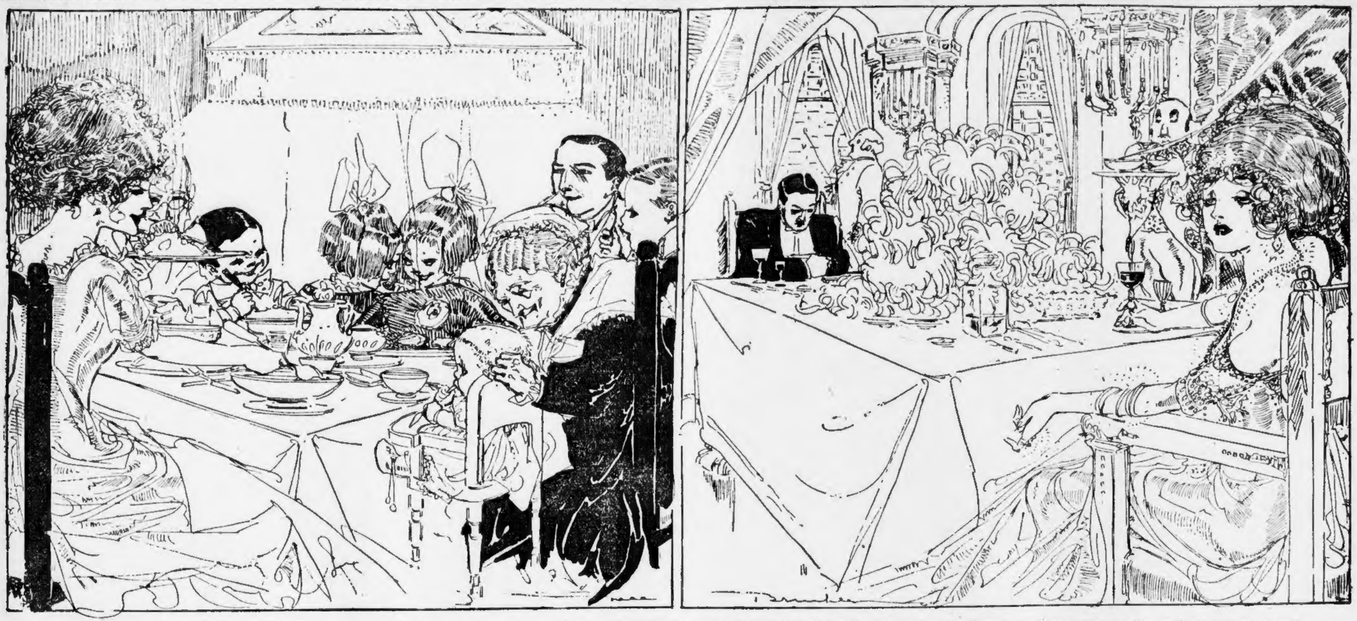

"And little Love, who likes good company and content and not too much glitter, put his head in at the rich man's door and chattered, 'This is no place for Venus's son,' and added a jollity to the poor man's feast"

Santa Gives Polydore the Best Gift of All

By IRVING R. BACON

"HOW thankful we ought to feel that we have so nice and cosy a home, Polydore, dear, and are not compelled to be out in this awful weather," said Mrs. Polydore, raising the shades and gazing out upon a veritable blizzard.

Gusts of wind every now and then raised the snow from the sidewalks and sent it in clouds of blinding particles swirling along the street. Occasionally a pedestrian, though warmly muffled, would turn his back to these searching blasts, and then face about again and hurry on when they subsided.

A Woman in the Snow

"It is indeed a pretty nipping Christmas Day," commented the professor. "You are right, dearie. We should be prayerfully grateful we needn't brave those icy white chargers. Don't they look just like drunken battalions reeling from side to side of the street? Hello, there! What's that?"

In the wake of a more than usually strong gust a woman holding a bundle in her arms staggered a few paces and then fell. She was almost buried in a huge drift directly in front of Professor Polydore's house.

While the professor, assisted by a servant, carried the unfortunate woman into the house, Mrs. Polydore got ready a number of blankets and prepared some hot broth. The bundle which the woman, although unconscious, still clasped to her heart, was a baby.

Neither mother nor babe was adequately clothed, and the emaciated appearance of the woman gave ample evidence that food had been equally as scarce as clothing. The whimpering of the little one and the sad plight of its mother touched the hearts of the professor and his wife. The baby's big wistful blue eyes and its frozen little nose, looking like a red button, appealed to them as nothing had ever appealed before.

A doctor was quickly summoned when it was found that ordinary household remedies were insufficient to arouse the woman. But even the man of science lacked skill to stay the spark of life. "My poor darling little Alice" were the woman's last words.

Meanwhile Mrs. Polydore's ministrations has restored the baby, which soon manifested its appreciation of the attentions showered upon it by smiling, cooing, opening wide its tiny mouth and bobbing its cute head.

After arranging for the respectable burial of the mother, Professor Polydore said to his wife:

"I suppose we shall have to turn the child over to the authorities, although I would give a great deal to be allowed to keep her."

Took the Baby as a Christmas Gift

"That's my own dear Polydore!" exclaimed the good woman. "And now that you have expressed yourself so, I feel at liberty to say the same to you; and, what's more, I think we have a right to keep her; for it is quite certain the unfortunate mother had intended to give the babe to whoever would take her."

And Mrs. Polydore showed her husband the following note, which had been pinned to the baby's underskirt:

"I am poor and sick and have no friends or relatives. My husband is dead. Alice is three months old. I feel I must go crazy if I part with her. But I can't help it. I hope good people will take and adopt her. God bless my sweet Alice, and may He bless them who become father and mother to her. She is of decent, though poor, parentage. The name doesn't matter."

"What better gift could Santa Claus have given us?" said Polydore.

TO-DAY'S BEST STORY

AUGUST BELMONT, at a dinner in New York, adverted to his recent words on the decadence of Uncle Sam.

"There are too many of us," Mr. Belmont said, "who desire to win, to come out on top whether by fair or foul means. To win by fair means is splendid, but to win by foul means—well, it is better to fail.

"But too many of us are like the trustee who expected his great uncle to leave him his fortune of $5,000. The great uncle died and a few days later the trustee appeared in his old haunts, dressed in deep mourning with a huge and perfect diamond in his black silk tie.

"'Ah,' said a friend, 'your great uncle is dead. Sincere sympathy. Left you that legacy, I suppose? But where did you get that beautiful stone?'

"The trustee smiled grimly.

"'My great uncle,' he explained, 'did not include me among the beneficiaries of his will. He left, in fact, all his money for a stone to commemorate his memory. This is the stone.'"

HEARD THIS BEFORE?

"My husband snores so loud that I don't get any sleep."

"That's nothing. My husband snores so loud that he can't even sleep himself."

"'Twas the night before Christmas
And all through the house
Not a creature was stirring,
Not even a mouse."

A RICH man dreamed he was a poor man; and a poor man dreamed he was a rich man. But this was *different* kind of dreaming.

Most times when the rich man dreams his millions are gone to flinders and he lives in a little house he cries in his sleep; and when the poor man dreams he's found an Ali Baba cave and owns all the money in the world and one dollar over, he *crows* in his sleep. But this was *different* kind of dreaming.

The last struggling rubies of the firelight played on the red velvet hangings of the rich man's bed and made his face into a goblin's with the witchery of light and shadow, shifting perpetually.

And the rich man was sailing along through a delicious dream. Children's laughter flowed around him and rocketted up against the low ceiling and jingled the yellow beads of the home-made lamp. The yellow lamp turned the spot light of its mellow eye down upon a golden smoking turkey and his sagey stuffin'.

The man's knees were under the table and his laugh rose with the rest. The little kids were all his. His wife scintillated like a little gem at the foot of the table and twittered and fluttered like a mamma-bird. She dished and poured and dipped into the brown gravy. Her white hands flickered among the china—and she smiled at him over the turkey with an intimate, talking smile.

Down at her end—just around the corner—a round-headed, *new* baby beat a spoon on his high chair and gurgled with gayety. Over his pink scalp the white grandmother hung crooning.

There weren't enough proper chairs to go round, so the towhead sat on a piano stool, and Aramiuta, with the first drumstick, graced a kitchen chair with the best books and the Holy Bible stacked up.

He was a poor man, and this was his Christmas dinner, and he grinned in the blissful content of his tiny, crowded table, and mirth surged around him, and—he laughed himself broad awake.

The ashes were dead, the red blood in them gone, and his red velvet curtains were black.

The rich man had laughed in his sleep—and now he cussed deep in the dark.

* * *

The poor man was dreaming he was a modern Midas at Christmas. He tossed in his blankets under the gloom of it. The moon shone on his face and blacked the frown deeper.

In his dream he sat moody—his knees under damask, his back against rosewood. The shine and twinkle of glass and silver glittered like iced trees in the sun. The light came austerely through satin and velvet and crystal at the windows; moss grew under his feet and the ceiling was coldly high.

Candles burned in little blades of light and lit a fire in every surface of silver and gilt and glass. Wine crowded at his elbows.

The glittering table was leagues long. He humped at one end—*she* lolled at the other. Not a soul lined its pathetic sides. And the maddening, stealthy footfall of the butler's tread was the only noise save when he and she shouted at one another from their stations. And a mountain of "mums" rose between them where the golden gobbler ought to be.

And the poor man sobbed himself awake and then lay and chuckled deep in the dark while he saw his wife's face on the pillow.

The next day there were two Christmasses. And little Love, who likes good company and hilarity and content and all his eats on the table at the same time so he can see 'em—and not too much glitter—put a head in at the rich man's Thangsgiving and then chattered: "Br-r-r! This is no place for Venus's son," and fled to the poor man's. Said: "I couldn't see the turkey there—here I can."

And that night he consoled his tummy-ache with a hot-water bottle.

NELL BRINKLEY.

Polishing Off the "Eats."

Polished Up by the "Eats."

☙ The Yellow Circle

A MODERN MYSTERY

By CHARLES E. WALK ☙

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CHAPTER XVII.—(Continued)

A Knight of the Golden Circle

KELSEY started to shake his head, but stopped with comical abruptness and fell to feeling his jaw gingerly with one hand.

"I—I don't know," stammered he. "Lord man! that was a swinger you handed me." And he added wistfully: "Wish I knew what you hit me with."

"Look here, Kelsey," said Cole, scowling, "you pay attention to the matter in hand. I have had enough 'don't knows.' I want what you do know—and be pretty quick about it, too. Are you aware that an officer is waiting in the bar for word from me? Now, about one minute of this trifling, and I shall hand you over to him. Make your choice."

"Lieutenant—I swear!—I make solemn oath—I'm doing my best; though if it was known I was squealing, I'd be murdered for it as sure as you're a-setting right there in that chair."

"But you talk like a crazy man," insisted Cole, rapidly losing patience.

The Master of the Circle

"Gimme time to get my mind. I done just what I was told to do—no more, no less."

"Ah"—light suddenly broke—"and who told you to do it?"

"The Master."

"Who is the Master?"

"Dunno."

The inquisitor leaned forward upon the table, his absorbing interest indicated solely by a glint in the narrowed eyes and a tenseness about the sensitive lips and nostrils.

"How, then, did he tell you to do it?" asked he.

"Why, the sign—it would always let me know when I would be wanted; I'd wait here till word came, and then I'd do what I was told. Sometimes one and sometimes another would bring me the message or the money—nobody I ever knew, though. I had no kick."

Cole's lip curled in disgust. So, then, the inspector had been right; the fellow was a mere hireling dog.

Apparently, however, the young man was on the right track; the catechism was becoming absorbing, and the catechist's eagerness mounted by leaps and bounds. He produced the yellow crayon. Quickly he drew a circle upon the table, a capital "M" inside it.

"Is that the sign?" he asked.

But the question was not needed. Such of Kelsey's features as were visible through the stubble of beard became suddenly ashy, and he stared at Cole like one fascinated.

Presently he half rose and pushed his chair back.

"You!" the word rattled in his throat—"you!"

Cole merely sat motionless and waited. For one fleeting instant the idea of posing as "the Master"—whoever that mysterious individual might be—possessed him. But at once he dismissed it as being wholly impracticable.

As "the Master" he would be supposed already to know everything concerning Kelsey's movements on the eventful Tuesday night; besides there were without doubt certain signs by which members of the villianous fraternity made themselves known to one another. And, moreover, unless Kelsey were bound by an oath more potent than his present fear-inspired willingness to yield up whatever he knew, there was no necessity for assuming any role at all.

Cole was gratified by the unmistakable indications that the shot had told; in all likelihood, the effect produced by the symbol was sufficient to serve his ends; so he would let the fellow remain in ignorance as to how much he might or might not know.

"Sit down, Kelsey," said he, quietly, after the pause. "I made no pretensions to being your infamous 'Master', but, you see, I am conversant not only with his sign manual, but of at least one occasion when it was used to direct you to the perpetration of a criminal act. An attempt to hide anything from me will not pay.

"That—that's the sign all right," muttered he. "Where did you get it?"

"Never mind. Where did you get it?"

"From Alec Cantarini—in Cuba—before he was drowned."

Where He Got the Sign.

"Cantarini!" marvelled the young man.

Heavens, how he had hated the man! He had been the bete noir of every one of the regiment's officers.

There had always been something strange, even mysterious about Alessandro Cantarini.

"So Cantarini showed you the symbol and how to use it, did he?" said Cole after a while. "How much more did you learn from him?"

(To Be Continued in Monday's Boston American.)

Nostalgia

By C. FARMER

HERE 'mid the leaping lights that wrap and climb
About the darkening stream and warehouse walls,
A voice compelling from the city calls,
Claiming the worker's heart at evening time,
After the day's hard toil through gloom and grime,
Across the bridges, home the traffic crawls;
O'er towers and domes a sable curtain falls,
While solemn grows the voice, intense, sublime.

So, when o'er tropic seas the red suns sing
In sudden nights, and for a little space
Banyan and palm the cooling swamp-mists drink,
My thoughts set free in mocking vision trace
The miraged town, the mighty river's brink—
I hear the voice, and homesick, veil my face.

THE SAME

The Tailor—Hip pockets?
The Customer—Yes.
The Tailor—Large or small?
The Customer—Half-pints.

"East or West, Home's Best" on Christmas Day

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

IN a great city like Boston, there are always a great many homesick hearts on Christmas day.

People who like at a distance and have only the one-day holiday, cannot afford the time, or the money, perhaps, to go home for the great festival.

So in restaurant or boarding house they dine in lonely homesickness.

Have you ever been in a restaurant on Christmas day? If so, you have seen dozens of men and women dining all alone and making a feeble attempt at looking gay.

Christmas, of course, is a day of family gatherings; people gather their dear ones around them, and have no desire for outsiders. But think how sad and lonely some of those outsiders are, and open your hearts. Ask some one to join you for Christmas dinner.

You need not go to any expense that you would not otherwise. One extra will not add any to the expense of your dinners.

Make your guest feel that you and all the family give him a hearty welcome.

Don't you know some lonely old bachelor who will eat his Christmas dinner alone? Ask him to join you, and perhaps he will be so impressed by the happiness of your home that he will get himself a wife before Christmas comes around again.

If you are alone yourself, find some one to join you for dinner. Nothing is so forlorn as to be alone when all about you are enjoying themselves.

Perhaps you can find some little waifs in the streets who will have no Christmas dinner at all.

If you take them into any of the cheaper restaurants and fill their little empty "tummies" with turkey and plum pudding, you will be doing a Christian act and you will feel very happy in doing it.

Think over all of your acquaintances and I am sure you can find some one to invite to your home on Christmas day.

To some people it is a sad day, full of memories of past joyous Christmas times and voices that are forever stilled.

Try and bring a little cheer into some of those lonely hearts. It won't spoil your day and even if it does bring an outsider into the family circle, do it in the spirit of "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

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The after dinner cup of black coffee must stand on its merits. No cream to give it a foreign smoothness. Perhaps no sugar.

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TO-DAY'S STOCK MARKETS

NORTH BUTTE PRICE BREAKS

STATE STREET, Dec. 24.—North Butte again behaved badly which put a quietus on the extended speculation in copper shares which has been engaged in for the past fortnight. On the reaching of stop loss orders and with the assistance of bear traders the price of North Butte stock broke from 50¼ to 47 this forenoon.

In their attempt to cover, the stock quickly rallied to 50. Many false rumors were put out, the most important of which was that President Coatson had sold his holdings and had resigned.

Lake Copper sold off 1¾ points from the high to 69, but recovery to 71½ followed before the noon hour. The stock acted well.

Franklin rose almost a point to 18¼ on active trading. Late strength is due to the sinking of the Hancock lode. Hancock stock, after breaking 1½ points to 31½, rose sharply to 34. Parrot suffered a further decline to 21½.

A broker offered to bet even money that North Butte would sell up twenty points before it sold down ten points, when it was selling at forty-eight, but could get no takers.

The volume of trading on the curb simmered down somewhat, yet prices were well maintained. Rhode Island Coal maintained a firm tone.

BOSTON STOCKS.

Following is the range of prices to noon for leading Boston stocks:

RAILROADS.	High.	Low.	Noon.
Boston Elevated	133	132½	133
Boston & Maine	147	147	147
Chi. June. & Stk. Y.	155	155	155
N. Y., N. H. & H.	158½	158¼	158¼
TELEPHONES.			
Western	17	17	17
MINING STOCKS.			
Arcadian	6¾	6⅝	6⅝
Arizona Commercial	47¼	47	47¼
Butte Coalition	28¾	28	28¾
Calumet & Ariz.	101	101	101
Franklin	17¾	17⅝	17¾
Granby	130	130	130
La Salle Copper	16⅜	16¾	16¾
Mass	6½	6½	6½
Nevada Con.	20½	20½	20½
North Butte	50¼	47	48½
Old Dominion	54½	54	54
Osceola	169¾	169	169
Parrot	22½	21½	21½
Quincy	89	88	89
Santa Fe	2½	2½	2½
Superior	62	62	62
Utah Con.	45	44½	45
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Am. Pneumatic pf.	20½	20	20½
*United Fruit	169	167	167
UNLISTED SECURITIES.			
Am. Agri. Chem.	47	47	47
Boston Con.	21⅞	21¾	21¾
Hancock	33	31½	32
Lake Copper	70⅛	69⅛	70⅜
Miami Copper	22½	22¼	22¼
Superior & Boston	15½	15½	15½
U. S. Smelting	54	53¾	53¾
U. S. Smelting pf.	53	52¾	53

*Ex-dividend.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Following is the range of prices to noon for leading New York stocks:

RAILROADS.	High.	Low.	Noon.
Atch., T. & S. F.	121¼	120⅞	121
Baltimore & Ohio	117½	117⅜	117⅜
Brooklyn Rap. T.	79⅝	79⅜	79⅜
Canadian Pacific	179½	179⅛	179⅛
Ches. & Ohio	87¼	86⅜	86⅝
Chic. Gt. West	21⅝	21⅝	21⅝
Chic., M. & St. P.	157¾	157½	157½
Del. & Hudson	186½	186½	186½
Denver & Rio G.	52⅛	52	52
Erie	33¼	33	33⅛
Erie 1st pf.	49½	49⅛	49⅛
Gt. North'n pf.	143¼	143¼	143¼
Illinois Central	146¾	146⅝	146⅝
Int.-Metropol.	25	24⅝	24⅝
Int.-Met. pf.	61	60½	61
Ks. City So.	43⅞	43⅞	43⅞
Mo., Ks. & Tex.	49⅛	49	49
Missouri Pacific	71⅝	71⅛	71⅜
N. Y., C. & Hudson	123⅛	123	123¼
Norfolk & Western	99½	99	99
Northern Pacific	145	144¾	144⅝
Pennsylvania	137⅛	136⅞	137⅛
Reading	171⅞	171¼	171¼
Rock Island	48⅞	48⅛	48⅝
Rock Island pf.	92½	92	92
Southern Pac.	134⅜	134	134⅜
Southern Ry.	31⅝	31⅝	31⅝
Texas & Pacific	35¼	35	35
Union Pacific	202¼	201⅜	202
Union Pacific pf.	103⅞	103⅜	103⅜
Wabash	22	21⅝	21⅝
Wabash pf.	61	60¼	60⅝
INDUSTRIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS.			
Amal. Copper	87⅞	87⅛	87¾
Am. Car & Fdy.	71⅛	71¼	71¼
*Am. Sm. & R.	101⅜	101¼	101⅝
Am. Tel. & Tel.	142¼	142¼	142¼
Anaconda Cop.	50⅝	50¼	50⅝
Col. Fuel & Iron	49⅞	49⅝	49⅝
Con. Gas (N. Y.)	159	158¼	158¼
Gen. Electric	159½	159½	159½
National Lead	88⅞	88½	88⅝
Rep. I. & Steel	45½	45½	45½
Rep. I. & S. pf.	104	104	104
U. S. Rubber	53⅛	53⅛	53⅛
U. S. Rub. 1st pf.	117½	117	117
U. S. Steel	91	90⅝	91
U. S. Steel pf.	125¼	125⅛	125¼
Utah Copper	60¼	59⅜	59⅜
West. Un. Tel.	77	76¾	76¾

*Ex-dividend.

BOSTON CURB MARKET.

Range of prices from 10 a. m. to 12 m.

Stocks.	High.	Low.	Noon.
Ahmeek	225	225	225
Amal.-Nev.	14c	13c	13c
Arizpe	55c	51c	53c
Bay State Gas	40c	39c	40c
Boston Ely	5⅛	4¾	4¾
Cactus	5⅞	5 9-16	5 9-16
Calaveras	5	5	5
Champion	11½c	10½c	11c
Chief	2 11-16	2⅝	2⅝
Chino	11⅞	11¾	11⅞
Corbin	9	9	9
Crown Reserve	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝
Ely Central	2⅛	2	2
Ely Consol	79c	79c	79c
Geyser	9	4	8
Inspiration	8⅞	8⅝	8⅝
La Rose	5	5	5
Live Oak	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛
Majestic	1 1-16	.99	1
Mass. Coal	1⅝	1¼	1⅜
Nat. Explor.	54c	53c	54c
Nevada Utah	1 5-16	1 5-16	1 5-16
New Baltic	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛
Oneco	3 5-16	3¼	3⅛
Rawhide Coal	22c	22c	22c
Rawhide Min.	12c	12c	12c
Ray Central	3⅝	3⅝	3⅝
R. I. Coal	12⅝	11⅞	12⅛
San Soda	3⅝	3 1-16	3 5-16
South Lake	9⅝	9	9⅝
Tonopah	7⅝	7½	7⅝
Vulture	8½	8⅝	8½
Willet	11c	10½c	10½c

SILVER MARKET.

London bar, 24¼d.; New York bar, 52⅝c.; both unchanged.

ASTOUNDING DISCOVERIES OF SCIENCE—The newest marvels will be described in the Sunday American.

INSTITUTE GETS PORTRAIT.

An oil painting of Prof. William T. Sedgwick, head of the department of biology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been presented to the institute by a score of alumni and will be hung the first of the year with ceremony. The portrait is by William Churchill and shows Professor Sedgwick in the official robes of a doctor of science.

ALBERT I. KEEPS CABINET.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—Albert I. starts his reign with the cabinet of his uncle, Leopold. Through Premier Schollaert, the ministry to-day offered to resign, but the King requested that they keep office.

WALL STREET OPENS STRONG

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—London sent over prices to-day ranging from ⅛ to ¾ of a point higher on American stocks. These prices were not all equalled in the early trading in Wall Street but there was a strong undercurrent in the market and the profit-taking sales that always preceded a holiday were quickly absorbed.

Stocks in leadership were Pennsylvania, Rock Island and Steel. After the first few minutes of trading, the entire market became strong. Money was offered freely at a fraction above five per cent. Among the specialties Virginia Carolina Chemical was active, advancing a point. International Harvester's strength was said to be due to a proposition to issue new stocks to finance the foreign investments of the company, the new stock to be issued at par.

On the New York curb market the Cole-Ryan stocks were weak but the general porphyry list was firm.

TAKE ACTION JAN. 17 ON BOSTON COPPER

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—At a special meeting of the Utah Copper Company called for January 17 action will be taken upon the proposed increased capitalization from $7,500,000 to $25,000,000 upon the contract to acquire the entire capital stock of the Boston Consolidated Copper Company which has been approved by boards of both companies.

WORLD'S RICHEST HOODOO—The wonderful story of the great Hope Diamond. Absorbing psychological study in the Sunday American.

Deaths.

STOCKEMER—In Roxbury, Dec. 22, Charles B. Stockemer, 83 yrs. 5 mos. 26 ds. Funeral services at the residence of his son, Eugene L. Stockemer, 6 Centre st., on Sunday at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

PIRIE—In Beachmont, Dec. 22, Evangeline C., daughter of Robert Pirie, 22 yrs. Funeral services at her late residence, 48 Bradstreet av., Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Woodlawn.

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LOST or stolen—Gasoline boat, 30 ft. long, 7 or 8 ft. wide, Bridgeport engine 12 h. p.; painted blue with red water line, bottom copper paint. Reward if returned to JOSEPH PONZO, 19 Pitts st., city. Taken from T wharf.

A LIBERAL REWARD will be paid for return of black lynx muff left in telephone booth, Henry Siegel Co. store, Saturday afternoon. Address 36 Francis st., Brookline.

LOST—Male Boston Bull pup, 5 months old, dark brindle, white breast and right side of neck, short tail, name Dick. Reward at 699 Massachusetts av., Boston.

LOST—In or near telephone booth at Siegel's store, Dec. 23, one black lynx rug muff; reward to finder returning same to Reservoir court, house 3, suite 5, Beacon st., Brookline.

LOST—Black and white fox terrier; address on collar; finder rewarded. MR. CRENNELL, 2147 Washington, Brookline.

LOST—In the city, Monday, or gave to a friend, $1,000 bill, $500 in smaller bills; $500 reward. ROBERT H. CAMERON, 225 Shawmut av.

Information Wanted.

WANTED 3 HAIRS FROM YOUR HEAD
SEND 3 HAIRS for chemical analysis and stop it from falling; write or call. BYRON EFFORD, Specialist, 194 Boylston st.

Special Announcements.

BOARD AND ROOM before and during confinement. 848 Fifth st., South Boston, MATRON BROWN.

1,000 BUS. CARDS, $1; rubber stamps; all kinds printing. BRIEF PRESS, 81 Leverett st.

Male Help Wanted.

CUSTOM CLERKS WANTED—Custom frauds mean many new appointments; examinations in Boston coming; preparation free; write for schedule showing dates. FRANKLIN INSTITUTE, dept. CU, 22, Rochester, N. Y.

FIVE HUNDRED strong young men wanted immediately for firemen or brakemen on nearby railroads; good vision; account increasing business; 1,000 men sent to positions last three months; $75-$100 monthly; promotion. Address, stating age, weight, height; send stamp. RAILWAY ASSOCIATION, Z 363, Boston American.

HERE'S A POSITION FOR YOU!—Openings all Winter; young men from city and country wanted. ALDIS OWEN HALL, 814 Washington st., Boston.

JOB COMPOSITOR wanted at 1,134 Montello st., Campello, Mass.; steady job to a competent man; union hours and wages.

RAILWAY MAIL CLERKS, custom employes, wanted—Spring examinations everywhere; commencement salary $800; rapid advancement to $1,400 or $1,500; candidates prepared free. FRANKLIN INSTITUTE, Dept. 138 J, Rochester, N. Y.

THREE strictly temperate machinists wanted; pay 27½c to 30c per hour. C 426, Boston American.

WANTED—Able-bodied men for the U. S. Marine Corps, between the ages of 19 and 35; must be native born or have first papers; monthly pay $15 to $69; additional compensation possible; food, clothing, quarters and medical attendance free; after 30 years' service can retire with 75 per cent. of pay and allowances; service on board ship and ashore in all parts of the world. Apply at 98 Court st., Boston, Mass.

WANTED—Cylinder pressman familiar with perfecting presses, some color work; good opportunity for first-class men; none other need apply. C 425, Boston American.

WANTED—Salesmen and collectors on White sewing machines in eastern Massachusetts territory. Apply to C. PAQUETT, general manager, 456 Main st., Malden, Mass.

WANTED—Fancy cotton dress goods weavers; good pay; steady work; cheap board. MIDDLESEX LINEN CO., Milford, N. H.

WANTED—Experienced automobile tire makers. HOOD RUBBER CO., Watertown, Mass.

Male Miscellaneous.

ASK me how you can start a profitable mail order business at home evenings. HEACOCK, Lockport, N. Y.

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ENGINEERS, FIREMEN—Get higher license, individual instruction by Thos. Hawley, many years Mass. State examiner of engineers; practical course, low cost, instalments, satisfaction guaranteed; complete practical electricity course; prospectus free. HAWLEY SCHOOL, 113 Huntington av., Boston.

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GOODYEAR welting, rounding, stitching, $75; cutting, camping, edge trimming, setting, $38; buffing, slugging, stock fitting, $15; plenty practice; board while learning. BROWN'S SHOE SCHOOL, All Union st., Lynn.

Christmas Suggestions

That will help to lighten the burden of Holiday gift selection, and places where to get them; a choice selection.

Bowdoin Sq. Phonograph Co.

WE SUGGEST a phonograph with records from $15 up, or a camera complete, from $1 up, or solid gold rings from $1 up, or an American-made watch, [illegible] from $2.75 up. BOWDOIN SQ. PHONOGRAPH CO., 1 Green st., Boston. (Mail orders filled.)

TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE.

38 BROMFIELD ST. have the largest stock rebuilt by manufacturer; guaranteed; $10 to $60. TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE, 38 Bromfield st.

TREMONT WINE STORE, 427 Tremont st., Boston—We carry in stock more brands of fine, gilt-edge, two-stamp and bottled in bond whiskeys than any other store in America. We offer a full quart, bottled in bond, six summers old (100 proof) Pennbrook Whiskey for 75c.; a full quart of pure, straight, 2-stamp whiskey or rum, matured naturally in wood; warranted exactly as received from the U. S. Bonded Warehouse, for 50c.; a bottle of pure two-stamp Gin, 50c.; a bottle of genuine imported sherry or fine imported Tarragona Port for 85c.; choicest California wines, 4 years old, 20c per bottle, or 12 bottles (any selection) for $2.25; pure California Brandy 65c. per bottle, the very finest American Champagne, pints 35c., quarts 75c.; Mumm's $1.75 and $2.50. We prepay freight on all orders of $10.00 or over. Please send postal for 24-page price list.

BUY your physician a gift of some office appliance or [illegible]. W. H. ALLISON CO., 711 Boylston st., rooms 3, 4 and 5.

WE SUGGEST that you buy Christmas cards, calendars, post cards and holiday novelties of G. J. ESSELEN, 19 Bromfield st.

SUPPLIES FOR DENS, whist prizes, beer steins, pipe racks, tobacco jars, smoke talk pipes. JUSTUS, 90 Portland st., Boston.

FINE LINE of Boston terriers, French bulls, puppies, canaries, fancy pigeons, rabbits and guinea pigs. HUB PET STOCK, 75 Staniford st.

WE SUGGEST lockets and chains, also bracelets, at lowest prices. BOSTON DIAMOND CO., Adams House bldg., 567 Washington st.

WE SUGGEST a directoire folding handbag, 4 bags in one, warranted leather, $2.50 and $3. Call and see it. 91 Journal bldg.

WE save you 25 per cent.; a full line of solid gold jewelry, cutlery and leather goods. DREAVER'S JEWELRY SHOP, 125 Hanover st.

Xmas Difficulty Solved for $1.00

per week by use of our order [illegible], which is accepted as cash by 30 of the leading cash stores for anything and everything; "different from the rest." PEOPLE'S CREDIT COMPANY, 144 Washington st., co. Winter, up 1 flight. Open evenings.

WE SUGGEST one of our [illegible] phonographs. We have for sale

$5,000 WORTH AT ½ PRICE.
M. BENNET, 33 Exchange st., near Dock sq.

VICTOR or Edison records make a most suitable gift to anyone having a phonograph or graphophone; I sell all makes of records and machines. HARRY ROSEN, in the very centre of Boston, 3 School st., up one short flight.

FURS are the best present; [illegible] coats, $16.50; scarfs, $4.00; muffs, $3.75; sets, $7.75; mink muffs, $12.50, while they last. RAVENTZ, 41 West st.; take elevator.

WE SUGGEST that you save one-half on furs by buying drummers' sample muffs, shawls and coats at TAYLOR'S, 521 Washington st. (Furs remodeled, $2 up.)

THE PLACE TO BUY gents' furnishings, shirts, collars, neckwear, suspenders, etc.; [illegible] and be convinced. S. SAMUELS, 127 Hanover st.

WE MAKE a full set of teeth for $5.00; gold crowns $3.00, guaranteed for 10 years. WEST END DENTAL PARLORS, 107 Green st., Boston.

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WE handle Edison and Victor talking machines, cameras, bicycles, also carry first-class line of sporting goods. LINSCOTT, 7 Hanover st.

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Male Miscellaneous.

LEARN TO BE A CHAUFFEUR.

THE MOST thorough course in Boston; competent instructors in repair shop and on road; we are especially equipped for teaching; look up our record for securing licenses before going elsewhere. S. C. BONNEY, 45 Stanhope st.; day or evening classes.

TOBACCO TAGS.

CERTIFICATES—We will pay cash or exchange for smokers' articles or trading stamps. Come personally to H. ROBBINS & CO., 3 Causeway st., Boston; the Yellow Store.

INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTION in moving picture operating, open evenings. EASTERN THEATRICAL AGENCY, 18 Boylston st.

LEARN moving picture operating. Call or write EMPIRE EXCHANGE, 3 Tremont row.

MEN WANTED to learn to drive and repair automobiles in my repair shop; day and evening instruction; call or send stamp for particulars. J. G. REED, 569 Tremont st., Boston.

PRIVATE INSTRUCTION polishes your English; short cuts arithmetic; increases your pay. H 130, Boston American.

10 MEN wanted to learn to repair and drive automobiles. EASTERN AUTOMOBILE EXCHANGE, 42 Warren av.

Male Situations Wanted.

A COLORED GENTLEMAN, 22 years of age, single, strictly temperate, would like a position with a private family; understands all kinds of work with the right party and can give the best of references. Address 16 Wheeler av., Brockton, Mass.

A1 SIGN PAINTER paints all kinds of signs in your own establishment at a fair price; office, window and wagon lettering; send postal with particulars. M. BROWN, 81 Leverett st. Phone Hay. 2324-1.

AN EXPERIENCED colored young man wants situation as porter, janitor or elevator man. Would take any kind of general work. Sober and industrious. Write or call on H. A. HALL, 10 Worcester st., Cambridge, second floor.

A GOOD, RELIABLE, honest boy, colored, desires work, will work for $3 per week and board. Write or call at 23 Sawyer st., East Boston.

BARBER, union, age 32, Italian, speaks English, experienced, wishes steady position, city or country; start Dec. 27. Address J. F. B., 91 Oxford st., Lynn Mass.

BRIGHT YOUNG MAN, 19, wants position in a grocery store; speaks and writes good English and Jewish. Can drive a team. P 158, Boston American.

BOY, 17 years old, wants a position in private family; no pay, only to learn the English language. EVANS PHILIS, 18 Kneeland st.

COLORED MAN wants any kind of work, porter's work preferred; thoroughly understands hotel work and the driving of teams; would take work in livery stable. Apply 31 Burleigh st., Cambridge, Suite 1.

CHEF, colored, first-class, city references, all-round cook, boarding house, hotel or private. 12 Harwich st. WM. CASS, top flat.

COLORED young man would like position as cook in family hotel or restaurant; honest, willing and sober. Call or send to 69 Joy st., Boston.

CARPENTER wants work by day or job, good workman, reliable. A., Box 46, South Boston.

EXPERIENCED PAINTER wants work, low wages. 1836 Dorchester av., Dor.

FRENCH COUPLE, references, wish position in institution, sanitarium; man chef, woman general work. CARME, 94 Carver st., Boston.

GENERAL housework wanted in a private family by experienced man of 34, honest and industrious; also doing little cooking; very competent; city or town; references. Z 477, Boston American.

HOUSEWORK—Young man, 20, bright, honest, experienced, wants position in private family; wish to learn good English. Apply E. H., 16 Howland st., Roxbury, Mass.

PAINTER—Young man wants work for the winter in hotel or any other place; will work for $2.25 a day; do not work on ceilings. P 485, Boston American.

PAINTER, also good paper hanger, or will take work of any kind; young man. J. STEVENSON, 20 Garnet st., Malden.

PAINTER and paperhanger—Used to all classes of work; week's situation; first-class references. N 437, Boston American.

SITUATION WANTED by a Polish man, sober, strong and competent in a saloon, restaurant or any other work; understands English and has good references. H 134, Boston American.

SIGN PAINTER, 18 yrs. exp., will paint signs of every description in your own establishment, very reasonable charge; sale, bargain and real estate signs a specialty; send postal for particulars. M. BROWN, 81 Leverett st. Phone Hay. 2324-1.

SITUATION WANTED for a first-class barber in hotel or store. Address P. G., 232A Tremont st., city.

SITUATION as cook wanted by an elderly man in small restaurant or lunch counter; wages moderate. N 436, Boston American.

SITUATION WANTED as porter, waiter, bellman or janitor. F. B. A., 26 Holyoke st., city.

WANTED—Offices to clean nights or work of any kind days between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. G., 15 Bond st.

Agents and Canvassers.

AGENTS, ATTENTION.

AGENTS WANTED for the new imported assorted calendars; send 10c for sample. SMARDON NOVELTY CO., 2 Park sq., Boston, Mass.

DO YOU WANT an office in Boston for $2 a month, your mail and tel. calls rec'd, held or forwarded, privilege of having name in bldg. directory, tel. number and address on stationery, large drawer and individual key, use of general desk, modern office building? P 484, Boston American.

SALESMAN WANTED on commission, or $75 and up per month with expenses, as per contract; experience unnecessary. PREMIER CIGAR CO., Cincinnati, O.

SEND 10c for best seller on the market. Agents wanted. SMARDON NOVELTY CO., 2 Park sq.

Female Help Wanted.

SWEDISH WOMAN to act as janitress of large building on Pleasant st.; rent of 4 rooms free for services. W 108, Boston American.

WANTED—Girl about 16 years old to learn the grocery business; $2 a week, board and room; reference required. Address Y 106, Boston American.

WANTED—Young lady bookkeeper and stenographer over 20; one conversant with French language preferred; salary, $8-$10. Address M 410, Boston American.

Female Situations Wanted.

AMERICAN WIDOW (50) wishes housekeeper's situation for middle-aged or elderly widower, city or country, New Hampshire preferred; pleasant home, reasonable pay; distance no objection. Address MRS. HATTIE CAMERON, Marblehead, Mass.

A YOUNG and capable woman, with 4 in family, would like a position caring for apartments where rooms suitable to live in could be had; good home more desired than high wages. Apply MRS. S. A. GRANT, 9 Blossom court, top floor, West End.

A NEAT YOUNG col. girl would like second work or care of children, very fond of children, New Bedford, Mass., or Cape Cod pref.; please answer by mail. L. C. B., 38 Buckingham st., Boston.

AN EXPERIENCED young woman would like laundry work to do at home, or will go out by the day; work called for and delivered; will go anywhere. MRS. EVA LEE, 210 Broadway, Cambridge.

A CAPABLE LADY would like home laundry work; will call and deliver family washings in Boston and vicinity; price reasonable; send postal. MRS. ANNIE A. HARRIS, 791 Main st., Cambridge; tel. 1855-2.

A LADY would like laundry work to take home; work called for and delivered; write or apply to LOUISA GILL, 38 Portland st., Cambridge.

A1 LAUNDRESS would like laundry work from Back Bay and near suburbs; experienced. MRS. SARAH HILL, 78 Magee st., Cambridge; tel. Camb. 2799-1.

AN EXPERIENCED LAUNDRESS wants washing and ironing to do at home; work called for and delivered, outdoor drying. MRS. LE BLANC, 133 Erie st., Cambridge, suite 3.

A FIRST-CLASS SEWING machine repairer repairs your machine, any make, at your own home for reasonable charge; send postal and will call. M. BERMAN, 224 Cambridge st.

A STRONG, young, reliable woman wants day's work and washing to take home, or cleaning of any kind; morning or evening; any place. Address MRS. S., write or call 10 Mt. Vernon av.

A LADY would like sewing by the day; capable and experienced; dresses made over, etc. Write or call MISS GRANT, 681 Mass. av.

A YOUNG LADY wants employment as demonstrator; have experience and best of references. R. B., 112 W. Springfield st., Boston.

BACK BAY laundry work wanted by an A1 laundress; particular attention paid to laundry work from private families. Apply MRS. GILLIAM, 29 Harwich st.

COLORED WOMAN wants any kind of morning work, will go anywhere; will take laundry work home to do, reliable and experienced. Call or write, MRS. G. W., 74 Magee st., Cambridge, suite 3.

COLORED Southern woman would like work by the day, care of offices or apartments; would like laundry to do at home, reliable. Apply E. A., 28 Buckingham st., suite 2.

COLORED woman wants day's work or chamber work in near suburbs; will do laundry work at home. NETTIE CARTER, 11 Blossom court, West End.

COLORED woman wants any kind of work by the day, or laundry work to take home; willing and capable. Call or write to FLORENCE JONES, 77 Hastings st., Cambridge.

CAPABLE Irish girl, good cook and laundress, loves children, references. 23A Blue Hill av.; tel. 861-1, Roxbury.

CAPABLE COLORED GIRL wants chamber work or day cleaning. Address M. O., 9 Marble st., Roxbury.

CLEANING or laundry work taken in or go out. A. BOLDEN, 10 Parnell st.

CAPABLE GIRL wants situation, general housework; best references. 272 Dudley st.; tel 232 Rox.

EXPERIENCED young woman wants a position as fancy ironer in laundry, thoroughly experienced and capable. Apply MRS. LEACOCK, 50 Portland st., Cambridge, suite 2.

EXPERIENCED LADY wants plain sewing of any kind; will get work and return it. MRS. WILLIAMS, 2 Smith court, off Joy st.

EXPERIENCED NURSE wants position in or close to Boston, as nurse or attendant. S 109, Boston American.

EXPERIENCED LAUNDRESS wants work to take home. Address MRS. E. F. M., 36 Holyoke st., Boston, Mass.

FRENCH WOMAN would like work by the day, washing or cleaning, or would like nursing on confinement cases, good ref. 70 Cabot st., Roxbury.

HOUSEKEEPER—American, young, refined, musical, good cook, desires sit. in widower's small family, with daughter 12. Address J., 513 Pond st., So. Braintree, Mass.

Agents and Canvassers.

AGENTS—We have just received 100 gross of the new spiral curtain rods; send 10c for sample and particulars. SMARDON NOVELTY CO., 2 Park sq.

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Merritt Upright	$75
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Christmas Day To-morrow

It Is the Most Beautiful Day in the Year—Sad as It Is for Many Human Beings

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Conditions in this world have grown steadily better through the nineteen centuries that separate us from the Spirit whose birthday the world celebrates to-morrow. And before that great holy birthday the world and the men upon it had been steadily growing better through the long ages, the tens of thousand years of time following the appearance of men on this planet.

In all the sorrow of the world, the cold and the hunger, the disappointed children, the anxious mothers and the discouraged old men, **THAT** is the one consoling thought—**THE WORLD IS GROWING BETTER.**

To-morrow should be a day of brightness and happiness for children, and a day of earnest thought for men who feel their share of responsibility.

We celebrate on Christmas the birthday of One who was willing to die shamefully, disgraced in the eyes of brutal government, humiliated, beaten, and nailed to a cross by those that hated Him. He knew the end that awaited Him, and felt horror at the knowledge.

His cry in Gethsemane was, "O, my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me."

But, since it was necessary that He should endure the pain, and hang between thieves on that naked hill, suffering until the thrust of the spear ended the pain, **HE WAS WILLING TO BEAR THE BURDEN.**

We celebrate to-morrow the birthday of One who really took seriously to heart the sufferings of children and the outrageous brutality of men toward women.

This will be a civilized and a happy world when the example set so long ago shall be taken seriously to heart, when men shall **FEEL** the wrongs that are done to other weaker men, and shall be able to say truly, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

The man who is too old to enjoy the lights of the Christmas tree, and the excitement of gifts, should find in contemplation of the beautiful character whose birthday is celebrated a happiness and an excitement greater than could be found in any personal gratification or pleasure.

What a wonderful and beautiful thing it is, that the example, the teachings, and final sacrifice of one great spirit should have worked such wonders in the world!

Battles for righteousness have been fought and won in His name! Slaves have been set free, children have been protected, kindness has grown in place of selfishness, based upon the teachings of Christ and His disciples.

Christmas is one day upon which every man should be anxious to do his duty as well as he can. It is the duty of every man, in proportion to his ability, to make others happy on Christmas Day—first, those nearest to him that depend upon him, and second, the poor child, or woman, or old man with whom he comes in contact.

Few of us are so poor that we cannot afford to give happiness to some human being outside of our own families. If every one would feel the obligation to do this, that alone would make the day a happy day.

This is a day that is celebrated and held in honor by all men and women of Christian faith or of different faith. For, the religion of Christ, where it has not been perverted by those He would have driven from the temple, is a religion of kindness and brotherly love to which every human being will subscribe.

It is important especially to remember that to-morrow is a day when all feelings of hatred and jealousy, race envy and religious prejudice should be forgotten. Men and women of all religions and races live together in America. It is the duty of every one to discourage every feeling except that of national brotherhood and friendship.

Certain bigoted and bitter men, for their own selfish purposes, or from innate wickedness, stir up religious feeling by seeking to hold people of the Jewish faith responsible for the crucifixion.

They forget that Christ himself was born a Jew, that his mother and all of the family and of the village among whom he appeared, were Jewish people.

He opposed among the Jews only the hypocrites and the faithless—just such men as **HE** would oppose and scourge in thousands among the Christians to-day.

And His death was the death inflicted by the Romans who ruled in Jerusalem, and whose representative, Pilate, ordered the crucifixion.

There was no such punishment in Jewish law. No human being was ever crucified by a Jew or a Jewish king.

This should be remembered to-morrow in this country, where our national welfare and prosperity depend upon the dwelling together in peace and harmony of Jews and Gentiles.

Fathers and mothers ought to tell their children to-day the meaning of to-morrow's festival. Nothing should be said, of course, to burden the child with a sense of sorrow, or of responsibility.

The day should be entirely one of happiness. But it is a good day to impress some earnest thought upon the child's mind. And this might be said to children:

More than nineteen hundred years ago, in a little village a baby was born. This little boy grew to be a great and wonderful power in the world. He never thought of Himself, only of poor people, poor children, and poor women especially.

He lived all His life trying to help others, and He died to prove His love even for those that hated Him.

Christmas is a day of happiness, intended to show how much we all owe to the wonderful day on which Christ was born.

Everything that you get on Christmas Day you owe to Him. The only way that you can thank Him is by doing good to some one, giving something to a child poorer than yourself, doing kind things for those that are old and feeble.

If children could be made to understand in their very infancy that the duty of man is to think, not of his own salvation, of his own selfish welfare, but of other human beings, the reign of peace and good will on earth would not be long delayed.

Never Again

By T. E. POWERS

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COME ON'
OH PLEASE LET ME TRY IT ON
WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY IT ON
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HURRY UP OR THE CHRISTMAS CARDS WILL BE ALL GONE
ITS ONLY $800
THE IDEA ONLY $800 THINK OF IT. DEAR. ITS WORTH $1000 AT LEAST
OH I SUPPOSE SO! GO AHEAD AND TAKE IT
WHAT DID SHE SAY
CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR — BUT IT COMES HIGH!
DEAR WILL YOU COME WITH ME AND PICK OUT A RATTLE FOR AUNT JULIAS BABY?
NEVER AGAIN
TE POWERS

A Christmas Poem

By THE LATE PHILLIPS BROOKS

THE earth has grown old with its burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is young:
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair,
And its soul full of music breaks forth on the air
When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, old Earth, it is coming tonight!
On the snowflakes which cover the sod
The feet of the Christ-Child fall gentle and white;
And the voice of the Christ-Child tells out with delight
That mankind are the children of God.

On the sad and the lonely, the wretched and poor,
That voice of the Christ-Child shall fall,
And to every blind wanderer opens the door
Of a hope that he dared not to dream of before,
With a sunshine of welcome for all.

The feet of the humblest may walk in the field
Where the feet of the holiest have trod;
This, this is the marvel to mortals revealed,
When the silver trumpets of Christmas have pealed—
That mankind are the children of God.

Little Bobbie's Pa

By WILLIAM F. KIRK

I AM going to send a letter to Santy Claus, I toald Pa this morning. I want lots this yeer.

Grate! sed Pa, but I think you will git moar from the old boy if you let me rite it for you.

Wait till I read you what I have rote, I sed to Pa, maybe you will like it better than what you mite rite to him, so then I red this letter to Pa:

> Dear Santy Claus: I am a littel boy that has a nice hoam & a vary sweet mother, but my father is a vary strange man, he is all the time forgetting things.
>
> He has toald me that he wud fix it up with you all rite, but I am afrade that he will forget it the salm way that he forgets a lot of other things, like forgetting to cum hoam. I know that if he happens to remember & sees you, I will have lots of presents, but if he doesn't remember it, my presents will run for Sweeney. For the sake of a happy Christmas for me, I thought it wud be a good idee if I wud rite you & tell you that I want a new sled & a new watch & a new sute of clothes for afternoon ware & one for eevning & a fur lined coat, because I am in the big leeg now, & I want to make the right kind of a front. Also bring a set of sables for deer mother, & a goat for father.

Well, Bobbie, sed Pa, I suppoas you think that is sum letter, I suppoas Santy Claus will fall for that kind of composishun. Whyh, sed Pa, Santy Claus wud throw a letter like that into the fire.

Thare ain't any fires where Santy Claus lives, I sed to Pa, & you can't tell me that there is. Ma toald me that up whare Santy Claus lives thay have to keep it cold so that the rain-deers wont freeze & turn into snow-deers. I have had a lot of talks with Ma, I toald Pa, & I deesided to rite this letter to him myself.

But I think you better let me rite the letter for you, sed Pa. I am older than you, Bobbie, & I know moar about how to approach peepul like Santy Claus. Besides, Bobbie, I must insist on running the blue pencil thru that part of yure letter wich asks for a set of sabels for yure mother. Last yeer Santy Claus brought her a set of mink, & he had it marked on the outside Good for Two Winters. He is a vary sensitiv old cuss, sed Pa, & he mite not like it to think that yure mother had in-sinuated that his furs wuddent last any moar than one season.

I think you better let littel Bobbie rite his own letter to Santy Claus, sed Ma. The poor littel shaver is jest beeginning to cry now, arent you, Bobbie. I think it is a shaim that a father cant let his child rite a letter to Santy jest the way the child wants to rite it.

But I doant like the part about the sabels, sed Pa. Bobbie, Pa sed, who toald you to put in the part about the sabels? Ma did, I sed.

Ha, Ha, sed Pa, I thought so.

Then Ma got mad & sed Oh, never mind me, I doant want anything for Christmas.

You shall have somethin, sed Pa, but not sabels. Then Pa laffed sum moar & gave me a quarter for telling about the sabels. Ma is going to give me sumthing for telling about the sabels, too, but it wont be a quarter.

Rhymo the Monk

By GUS MAGER

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GIVE ME A SPRIG OF MISTLETOE,— YOUR UNCLE RHYMO'S NOT SO SLOW!
FLORIST
AH, MISTLETOE'S THE STUFF FOR ME! I'LL HANG IT UP AND THEN YOU'LL SEE!
ALONG WILL COME SOME PRETTY MISS, AND I WILL GET A NICE SWEET KISS!
EXCUSE ME, MISS— I'VE GOT A DATE TO CATCH A TRAIN AT HALF PAST EIGHT!
Gus Mager

The Hallroom Boys

By H. A. MacGILL

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LOOKS TO ME LIKE A PRETTY MUCH OF A STINGY CHRISTMAS FOR US THIS YEAR NOT A SINGLE BID TO EAT ANYWHERE DID WE GET.
EASY LIVING IN THE SANDWICH ISLANDS. WE OUGHT TO TRY IT. DO NOTHING BUT LAY UNDER A BANANA TREE AND BETWEEN NAPS KNOCK OFF A FRUIT OR TWO AND EAT 'EM. DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR RENT OR YOUR TAILOR BILLS.
1
SAY HALL-ROOM, I'M GOING OUT OF TOWN TO-DAY. DO YOU WANT TO USE MY AUTO. I PROMISED TO LET YOU HAVE IT SOMETIME. DIDN'T I?
THANKS PERKY - SINCE THIS IS A FINE DAY, WE'D ENJOY A LITTLE SPIN OUT IN THE COUNTRY.
2
LITTLE GOOD THIS DOES US. ONE CAN'T FILL UP ON GASOLINE OR AIR. IT'D BE MORE LIKE 'T IF PERKY'D HANDED US SOMETHING MORE SUBSTANTIAL - A CHRISTMAS FEED FOR INSTANCE
OH WELL - THIS BRACING AIR WILL PUT SUCH AN EDGE ON OUR APPETITES THAT CORN BEEF AND CABBAGE'LL TASTE LIKE TURK---!! GEE! WHATS WRONG?
3
I CAN'T FIX THE DANGED THING THIS IS A PRETTY HOW D'Y' DO! HERE COMES AN AUTO PERHAPS THEY'LL GIVE US A TOW.
TIS INDEED A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS DAY. OH JOY!
4
WHY IT'S MR. HALL-ROOM. WHAT IS THE MATTER? BREAK DOWN? JUMP IN - WE'LL TOW YOUR MACHINE TO THE HOUSE WHERE IT CAN BE FIXED, AND IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER YET, WON'T YOU DINE WITH US?
SURE!
AS I LIVE - MISS SPONDOOLIX. DID YOU SAY DINNER?
5
MINCE PIE OR PLUM PUDDING SIR?
BOTH!
WON'T YOU HAVE ANOTHER HELPING MR. HALL-ROOM? WORKING SO HARD OVER YOUR MACHINE MUST HAVE GIVEN YOU AN APPETITE.
YES, I THINK I CAN DO JUSTICE TO ANOTHER PLATEFUL.
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